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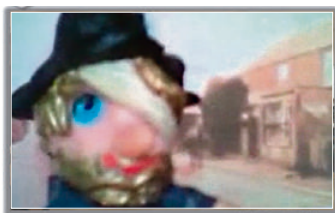
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## ACTORS ALL WASHED UP

Kingsgate's Botany Bay provided the setting for a film due to be screened at a top international film festival in October.

Washed Up stars a cast of 12 people all from different EU countries and will be screened at the prestigious Prix Europa festival in Berlin to raise awareness of the European Year of Intercultural Dialogue.

The short story, written and directed by Joseph Martin, has echoes of hit TV show Lost and sees people from every country in the EU washed up on a beach, each speaking a different language.

They find a broken music box containing clues about how they got there and set about fixing it, using parts of the machine attached to chains around each of their necks.

■ BY TOM BETTS

A FENCE will encircle Margate's Scenic Railway until the world-famous roller-coaster is repaired.

An Urgent Works Notice has been served by Thanet council on owners the Margate Town Centre Regeneration Company.

The notice is to ensure that a 2.4-metre-high continuous steel fence is put in place to protect the entire perimeter of the wooden rollercoaster.

The notice was served on Monday and, if it is not complied with within two weeks from the date it is served, then the council will use planning powers and send contractors on to the site to erect the fence.

The cost of the work will then be recovered from the site owners.

Cllr Sandy Ezekiel, leader of Thanet council, said: "Although the council is still in ongoing discussions with the owners of the site, we believe it's absolutely essential that measures are taken to preserve the Scenic Railway until repairs begin."

"We feel that we have given this enough time since the fire broke out and still there is no fencing in place to protect this unique historic asset."

He added: "The time has come for us to take action and that's what we're doing with the issuing of this Urgent Works Notice. If the work is not completed within the next two weeks, then we will be sending in people to do this work. That's how important this is to us."

The move follows the fire, which broke out in early April 2008, destroying about 20 per cent of the tracks of the Scenic Railway, the workshop where the cars were housed and part of the station.

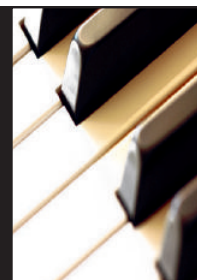
The ride first opened in 1920 and was the first amusement park ride to be Grade II-listed in 2002.



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**TOUGH TIMES:** Rises in production costs are making life difficult for the isle's cauliflower farmers

# Supermarket power gives farmers grief

■ BY TONY PATEY

THE isle's cauliflower growers say their industry could collapse unless they are paid more for the vegetables they grow.

Spiralling production costs for seed, fertiliser and fuel mean that unless leading buyers such as supermarkets pay more, vegetable growers will be forced to quit the market.

In Broadstairs, Geoff Philpott, whose family has been growing cauliflowers since just after the First World War, said he was receiving 39 pence per cauliflower but needs 44 pence to cover his costs and by next year this will have risen to 50 pence.

Mr Philpott, who runs GG Philpott and Son at Elmwood Farm, Broadstairs, said his fertiliser costs alone had rocketed by 300 per cent from £150 a tonne to £600 a tonne this year.

"We are being hammered into the ground by the supermarkets," he said. "Costs are rising so fast - we are looking at 32 per cent overall in the last 12 months - and I can see it going only one way."

He sells to wholesalers, supermarkets and exporters, and although he also grows other vegetables such as different brassicas and potatoes,

he specialises in cauliflowers, growing 103 varieties.

He is probably the largest grower in the South East but says that over the last five years six or seven major local growers - "the biggest and the best" - have left the business.

Birchington's Robert Montgomery, for example, stopped growing cauliflowers on his 800 acres last year because they were no longer viable.

And the year before that, Peter Linlinton, of Birchington, whom Mr Philpott called "the best cauliflower-grower ever", stopped producing the vegetable on his 400 acres.

He said the reason fertiliser was so expensive was that gas prices had shot up and the demand for phosphates and potash, the main nutrients, had zoomed ahead in places such as China.

He said: "Where will we be in a year's time? I wish I had a crystal ball, but if we can't make the job pay we will be drilling for cereals."

"But we don't want to go that way. We are specialists and we have a loyal workforce."

Mr Philpott said vegetables such as cauliflowers, sprouts and spring greens were highly nutritious and full of fibre.

Thanet, like Cornwall, is a prime place to grow cauliflowers, with alkaline, free-draining soil. Being surrounded by sea, hard frosts are not so problematic as in areas inland.



**CAMPAIGN:** Amanda Petfore presents the petition to Michelle Fenner and Alan Poole

## 'Keep your hands off our wardens'

MORE than 300 people have signed a petition to keep community wardens in their area.

Residents of the West Dampton ward fear new plans could result in them losing the services of their wardens who patrol the streets.

Amanda Petfore, who lives in the area, said: "The quality of life in our area and particularly in Presedge Avenue has greatly improved in the last few years and community wardens have greatly contributed to this improvement."

She added: "They must be allowed to continue their good work, and changes to the way they operate could cause more problems."

The Save Our Community Wardens document was presented to Thanet council last week.

A letter of support written by the head-teacher of Newlands primary school also urges the council to consider the safety of this community.

Joy Callan said: "At Newlands primary school we rely on community support to assist in the promotion of the well-being of our pupils and their families."

"We value the support of the community wardens and it would be a real loss to the community if this role were to be discontinued."

Ward councillors Michelle Fenner and Alan Poole have pledged their support.

Cllr Poole said: "The community wardens perform a vital service and it would be a great disappointment if they were removed."

## Lambeth wives to visit village

SPOUSES of the bishops attending the Lambeth Conference in Canterbury are to visit Thanet.

They will take the St Peter's Village Tour, where they will see the stocks on the village green and be greeted by the Mayor of Broadstairs and St Peter's while their husbands discuss the ins-and-outs of the Anglican Church.

The tour's Veronica Cox said: "As the conference only takes place once every 10 years, this is quite an event for us."

A service will be held in the village church afterwards.



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## Massive industrial project is sparking fears, reports Tom Betts



**UNDER THREAT:** The public spoke out over the China Gateway plans, which would see a large area of farmland being developed. Below, campaigner Jenny Matterface questions the kind of jobs that the scheme would bring.

# Villagers share Gateway views

MINSTER Village Hall was the setting for a public meeting to discuss proposals for the so-called China Gateway scheme.

Villagers and campaigners gathered in the hall on Tuesday last week to talk through their concerns, many engaging with the issue for the first time.

Speakers, most of whom expressed their concerns over the huge project by Commercial Group Properties (CGP), which could potentially cover a large area of

agricultural land near Manston, gave a range of views on the scheme that is proving ever-more contentious.

Campaigner Jenny Matterface talked about the amount of jobs that the project is supposed to bring to the Isle.

She said: "No one on this platform opposes job creation. We all accept we need them in the area, but so many of us have lived through countless schemes which were supposed to have created jobs, such as the airport, so you must understand some of us are a little cynical about the plans

Commercial Group Properties has put forward."

She added: "They are dangling a carrot with the word 'Jobs' written on it in front of everyone and they know that makes it difficult for a council to say they don't want the development."

"But what we are asking is: what type of jobs?"

Mrs Matterface questioned whether the necessary base of skilled workers with IT skills, forklift driving licences and the like was ready for work being promised and what plans CGP had to train a workforce.



## 'Thanet council are not a load of idiots'

A MINSTER parish councillor addressed the meeting to speak up for China Gateway plans.

Cllr Dennis Neville said: "Let's get some balance to this meeting. The idea of the park is to provide meaningful employment so persons living in Minster can afford to live in Minster and buy homes in Minster and provide work for the future."

"It's not for me – it's for the youngsters in five years' time."

The parish council chairman added: "Thanet planners are not a bunch of idiots and it's being looked at by all different agencies to see if this is feasible."

"When it goes to the planning committee they'll know what they're deciding on – you can't dismiss it out of hand."

"Thanet council are not a load of idiots. Doug Brown, who is looking at this in depth, has 30 years' experience. If it can't work, it won't be passed by the committee."

"Think of the local development plan and the employment for the future. We need a future for the young persons – they have no job prospects, crime, drugs, the lot."

Cllr Neville stressed the view was his own and not that of his council.

## What future for children?

MANY members of the public who turned up at the meeting made their own pleas for the China Gateway scheme to be halted.

Some 40 people showed up for the first public meeting about the proposals. One woman to voice her view was Ramsgate's Jean Whisker.

She said: "I've lived here all my life and it's depressed me to hear what has been said about our lovely Planet Thanet."

"They talk about jobs for our children, but, by God, when we're all dead and gone, what will we have left for them? What are we doing? We live in the garden of Kent – keep it as the garden of Kent."

Chris Francis, from Birchington, said: "It sounds dire. The amount of traffic on the road could lead to isolation. It's going to be chaotic. There will be an awful lot of traffic coming from Thanet Earth, but at least they are growing food."

Penny Bardon, also from Minster, was worried about the amount of traffic the project would bring and the loss of agricultural land.

She said: "How are we going to get in and out of our homes? Thanet is far too frail. It took millions of years for the chalk to form to give us our wonderful land. The world is running out of food and we have wheat fields... and they want to concrete us over? It's absolutely appalling."

## 'Development not supported by plan'

ALSO speaking at the Minster meeting was Brian Lloyd, a planning expert with the Campaign to Protect Rural England.

He outlined some of the group's concerns with a ten-minute speech.

He said: "Thanet, in particular, is very rich in high-quality agricultural land. It's seen a lot of development over the years and the settlements between the towns are being nibbled away and eroded. The developments are now coming further into the countryside with Westwood Cross and Thanet Earth – the Gateway proposal continues that trend."

"Taking all the three together, this is a massive development. We're looking at 175 acres and much of that is on high-quality agricultural land, which must be kept for that purpose."

On the issue of the project's compatibility with Thanet council's local plan, he said: "This large development is not supported by the council's local plan."

"The current plan provides for 3 million square feet of employment land – that's 95 per cent of what Thanet needs for the year 2021."

"The Gateway wants more than double that, another three-and-a-half million square feet of floor space, but

it just isn't needed. Also, it's difficult to see what companies will be coming on to the site and what employment is to be provided."

Mr Lloyd also said the character of the area should be protected: "The site sits on a chalk plateau identified as an important character area."

"The local plan states particular care should be taken to avoid skyline intrusion or the loss or interruption of long views of coast and the sea, but some of these buildings will be 17 metres high. Large industrial sheds will be in contradiction to the policy of protecting the skyline."

Finally, he talked about the issue of water. He said: "The site is on top of a groundwater protection zone, a source of much of Thanet's drinking water. We think it's a real risk to drinking water, which is already of a low quality in this area."

"The Environment Agency has expressed concerns and even the applicants themselves, in their supporting information, acknowledge there could be an impact on water resources. This issue alone should see the rejection of the proposal."

He summed up: "We are fully supportive of the local campaign to stop the project."

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## Vandals warned to watch out

POLICE are warning they will take a tough line against vandals in Newington. Patrols have been stepped up after 14 windows were smashed in an incident at the Flowing Bowl pub.

Golfballs were thrown at the windows and at other buildings in the Ramsgate estate.

Officers believe the group involves teenagers who are being encouraged by older people in their 20s.

Ch Supt John Molloy, area commander of police in East Kent, said: "We are targeting those who are leading this behaviour."

"Residents are heartily sick of what they describe as a mindless and selfish few. We will do all we can to ensure persistent offenders get the message."

• An 18-year-old Ramsgate man has been arrested on suspicion of criminal damage. He was bailed until tomorrow.

## ID group plans future action

THOSE objecting to the Government's ID database plans are being invited to a meeting in Broadstairs this weekend.

The Thanet branch of the national NO2ID group will meet on Saturday (August 2) at 4pm in Morelli's café, 14 Victoria Parade. The meeting will discuss strategies for future action.

A spokesman said: "The aim is to let people know how dangerous, politically unacceptable, ineffective, unnecessary and expensive the ID database card scheme will be."

"It will also put people's identities and details at greater risk from fraud."

More information is available by emailing thanet@no2id.net.

## JEEP AND CHEERFUL BIRTHDAY GIFT



When Mark Yates took a trip to the War and Peace Show at the Hop Farm, he didn't expect to bring back a military jeep - even if it was his birthday.

Ramsgate man Mark, 44, entered a raffle to win the £8,000 M201 Hotchkiss and was shocked when one of his £1 tickets was drawn for the top prize.

He said: "I was gobsmacked, but it was a great birthday present."

Mark's 14-year-old son, also called Mark, was just as impressed.

He said: "I'm really looking forward to getting dropped off at school in the jeep."

Former motor mechanic Mark has been unable to work since a serious motorbike accident a few years ago.

"This will give me a new interest," he said.

"I'm looking forward to finding out more about military vehicles. I intend to use the jeep for trips and to exhibit it at shows."

War and Peace Show official Rex Cadman said: "We hold the jeep raffle every year. It raises £10,000 for Kent's Invicta Military Vehicle Preservation Society, which restores and preserves historic military vehicles."

# Agreement adds £8m to Turner gallery fund

■ BY TOM BETTS

AN AGREEMENT between Arts Council England and the South East England Development Agency will see more than £8 million contributed to Margate's Turner Contemporary gallery project.

The cash boost will go towards building costs. Construction of the gallery, designed by award-winning architect David Chipperfield, begins near the harbour arm in the autumn. The estimated cost of the gallery is £17.4 million.

Sally Abbott, regional director at Arts Council England, said: "We're delighted that SEEDA has confirmed its partnership and commitment to this dramatic and important new gallery."

"This will be a landmark building representing a huge achievement for artists and arts development in the South East and beyond."

"This is an exciting time for the project and we look forward to working with all the stake-

holders locally and nationally to make the vision a successful reality."

The gallery will showcase contemporary works which officials say will reflect renowned artist JMW Turner's links with the coastal town. The centre will feature galleries, a café, conference and studio space and be coated in distinctive white glass.

Thanet council leader Cllr Sandy Ezekiel said: "The Turner Contemporary will be a landmark building that will help with economic regeneration. The council is working hard to regenerate Margate Old Town and it is being transformed into a vibrant cultural quarter."

"Much of that work has been because of the prospect of the Turner Contemporary, which shows the impact it is already having."

Of the cost of the gallery, funding for £14.9 million is now safe, with the rest likely to come

from private sector investors and companies.

Cllr Mike Hill, the county council's cabinet member for community services, is leading the project on behalf of the county council.

He said of the cash boost: "The Arts Council and SEEDA have been supportive of everything we are trying to achieve with Turner Contemporary from the outset."

"These funding agreements demonstrate our partners' confidence in the project and the impact it is going to have."

Pam Alexander, chief executive of SEEDA and chairman of the Margate Renewal Partnership, said: "SEEDA is pleased to support this opportunity to bring culture-led regeneration to Margate, reinforcing the investments it has already made in the town centre."

"We see this as a great opportunity to boost economic development, bringing jobs and business to the community and supporting the cultural and creative businesses that are already making Margate's Old Town their home."

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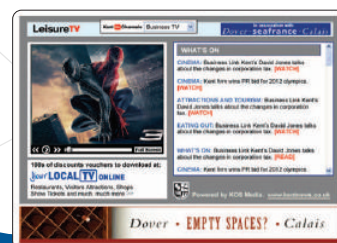
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# Violence falls as partners unite to show their mettle

BY TOM BETTS

HI-TECH equipment is being used to help stamp out crime and make the isle safer.

The Thanet Community Safety Partnership has been employing metal-detector arches and handheld wands, mobile fingerprint analysis units, an extra CCTV operator and Bluetooth technology in its bid to make the streets safer.

The Bluetooth initiative enables police to send out messages to people's phones warning them of the risks and dangers that are about, such as mobile phone theft.

The portable archway is set up at Margate train station to catch those who are carrying weapons. It can be erected quickly and by a single officer.

A mobile fingerprint unit enables officers to check prints with the police database, with results sent back in under a minute. It is one of the few being trialled in the county.

One area where the partnership says it is winning the battle is Margate's Marine Terrace, which has been notorious for loutish behaviour, particularly on weekend nights.

More police officers now patrol the area and offences on the street, one of the isle's worst crime hot-spots, are falling.

The safety partnership's Mark Richardson said: "We've seen a two-thirds drop in crime there, from 39 incidents to 13, and it's been down to these new initiatives."

"It had one of the highest crime densities in the county because of drunkenness and a minority causing problems, but since we've introduced these measures the area is a lot safer."

"There is still a lot to do and we want to try to reduce crime even further."

The partnership has spoken to licensees in the area and they are being asked to report incidents more regularly.

Pubs are also being checked more often for underage drinkers.

Dave Knox, the partnership's crime reduction sergeant for Thanet, said: "The crack-down on the problems in Marine Terrace is proving successful."

"This is what the partnership is all about - getting organisations to work together to



UNDER THE ARCHES: Sgt Dave Knox at the station

find solutions to issues that matter to local people.

"There's been a big difference in crime numbers, and assaults have fallen dramatically compared with the same period last year."

"The latest figures show this approach is working and we are determined to ensure the decline in violence continues."

Thanet Community Safety Partnership ties together Kent Police, Thanet council, Kent Fire and Rescue, the NHS and Kent County Council.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

## Move over Becks, there's a new Galaxy in town

DAVID Beckham has the LA Galaxy - but now Thanet has its own star team.

A new football club called Thanet Galaxy is being launched for young people who have disabilities.

The club aims to have teams entered into both local and county football leagues, and those with all levels of disabilities can get involved.

The club was created and is being run by Thanet council's Disability Sportslink Project, which aims to improve opportunities for people with a disability to take part in sport.

Summer sessions are being held at Chatham House Grammar School in Ramsgate.

They will be from noon until 2pm today (Wednesday) and Wednesday, August 6, and are for all people aged five and over. The cost is £2 per session.

Cabinet member Cllr Jo Gideon said: "Thanet council is committed to improving sporting opportunities for people of all ages with disabilities and Thanet Galaxy FC is another example of that good work."

## Shopping, an ice rink and music - how cool is that?

AN ice rink is being set up at Westwood Cross shopping centre.

It will be outside Debenhams and open from 11.30am to 6.30pm for three days from Monday, August 11.

Other entertainment will include Miles the Clown and live music on the Westwood Cross Music Space stage.

Three restaurants - Nando's, Chiquito and Frankie and Benny's - will be providing music over the three days.

Acts include Paul Messenger with his popular act One Love.

For details of performance slots and opportunities to audition, phone 01843 867273.

## Action group celebrates anniversary milestone

THE Old Town Action Group has marked its 10th anniversary.

The group was formed in 1998 to campaign for improvements to Margate Old Town.

Members celebrated the milestone at a social evening attended by former mayor Roy Ford, group founder and life vice-president.

He said he was pleased and proud the group had survived and thrived when so many others had faded away.

Nick Dermott gave an illustrated talk on the area, with aerial pictures, before members enjoyed a buffet supper with wine.

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## The hi-tech battle against crime

Dave Knox, Thanet Community Safety Partnership's crime reduction sergeant, discusses methods used to tackle crime on the isle.

These include metal detection, Bluetooth messaging and mobile fingerprint units. He explains how and why they are being used and the effect that they are having.

The partnership credits the methods with helping to reduce crime in some areas, especially violent assaults and other anti-social behaviour.





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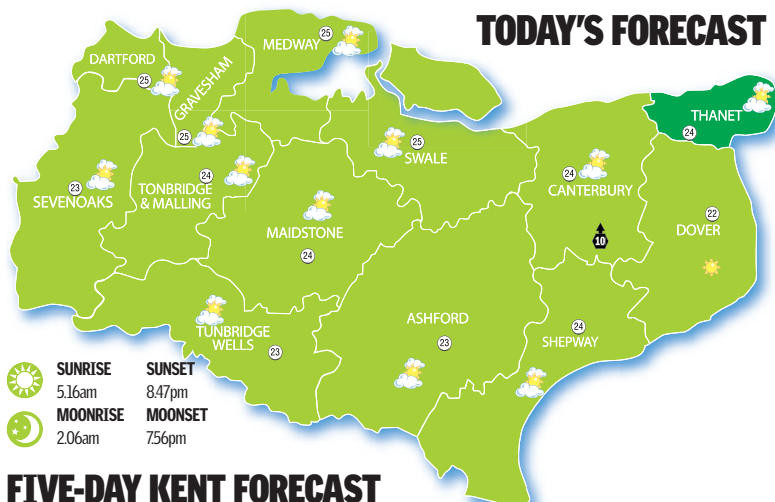


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Chatham	Saturday	12:36pm	5.6m
	Sunday	1:29pm	5.9m
Dover	Saturday	11:03am	6.2m
	Sunday	11:52am	6.5m
Dungeness	Saturday	10:53am	6.9m
	Sunday	11:46am	7.3m
Ramsgate	Saturday	11:33am	4.8m
	Sunday	12:22pm	5.0m
Sheerness	Saturday	12:25pm	5.4m
	Sunday	1:19pm	5.6m
Whitstable	Saturday	12:32pm	5.0m
	Sunday	1:26pm	5.3m

## FIVE-DAY KENT FORECAST

	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon		Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
Ashford	21°C	24°C	26°C	23°C	21°C	Gravesend	22°C	26°C	27°C	24°C	22°C
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Faversham	21°C	23°C	24°C	22°C	21°C	Sittingbourne	21°C	23°C	24°C	22°C	21°C
Folkestone	20°C	21°C	21°C	20°C	19°C	Tonbridge	21°C	24°C	26°C	23°C	21°C
Gillingham	21°C	23°C	24°C	22°C	21°C	Tun Wells	21°C	24°C	26°C	23°C	21°C



## AROUND THE WORLD YESTERDAY

Amsterdam	25°C	Madrid	29°C
Athens	30°C	New York	25°C
Barcelona	27°C	Paris	30°C
Beijing	30°C	Rome	28°C
Bombay	25°C	Sydney	12°C
Cape Town	16°C	Tenerife	28°C
Cardiff	25°C	Tokyo	33°C
Gibraltar	28°C	Vancouver	20°C
Hong Kong	36°C	Warsaw	27°C
Las Palmas	26°C	Wellington	10°C

## Online survey gives Manston thumbs-up for passenger flights

MORE than two-thirds of people who took part in an online survey support commercial passenger flights from Manston airport.

The survey about services at Kent International Airport was run in conjunction with KOS Media and completed by almost 11,000 people.

The results found that 71 per cent felt scheduled commercial air passenger flights from Manston were "very important". A further quarter of respondents said commercial flights were "somewhat important", with 2.7 per cent considering them "not important at all".

When asked whether they would use a commercial air service from KIA, 85.9 per cent of people said it was "very likely", and 10.7 per cent felt it was "somewhat likely".

In the past the airport has been hit by the collapse of EUjet and the cancellation of a planned service to America.

Travel company Kent Escapes currently runs charter flights to a number of holiday destinations.

KIA chief executive Matt Clarke said: "This is an excellent vote of confidence in the airport and will boost our efforts to bring scheduled passenger services back to the county."

According to the survey, the time saving and location benefits were the top two advantages of the airport.

And 72.5 per cent of the 10,673 respondents believed the return of passenger services would have local economic benefits.

Airport owner Infratil was pleased more than a third of respondents would consider paying a £20 premium for a return flight from KIA rather than travel to Gatwick, Heathrow or Stansted.

Mr Clarke concluded: "Later in the year we will present our plans for the long-term future of Kent International Airport, with an opportunity for local residents and authorities to give us their views."

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## QUESTION & ANSWER

### SARAH BILLIALD



**Q** What are you bringing to your new role at Kent Probation from your work at the centre of Government?

**A** At the Prime Minister's Delivery Unit I worked on crime reduction and reducing re-offending, liaising with agencies from across government including the police, prisons, education, housing and health.

I focussed on identifying barriers to delivery and generating ways of breaking down these barriers.

This national experience has helped me understand the range of partners needed to reduce re-offending – a key priority for probation – and how best to jointly improve the safety of everyone in Kent.

**Q** Did you enjoy the cut and thrust of politics while working for Tony Blair and Gordon Brown – or try to escape it as much as possible?

**A** As a general rule I try and avoid politics and focus on service delivery. The good thing about my previous role was, although located at the heart of government, its focus was on delivering real outcomes for citizens.

But it did involve writing lots of reports and after a while I got bored of writing about it and wanted to deliver it.

**Q** What is the biggest misconception about the Criminal Justice System?

**A** That the only way to punish offenders is to send them to prison. In fact, there are a range of options available to sentencers and the evidence shows that working with offenders intensively in the community is more effective

in reducing repeat offending than short-term prison sentences.

This is because it combines punishment over a long period of time, for example two years as opposed to a six-month prison term, with work to help offenders gain employment and change their offending behaviour.

**Q** Aren't community sentences little more than a slap on the wrist?

**A** No. Because an offender might have to report to probation five times a week; their liberty could be curtailed with a tag; they might be performing unpleasant unpaid work in the community thus losing their free time and giving something back to the community at the same time.

**Q** How on earth did Roy Hodgson manage to save your football team Fulham from Premier League relegation?

**A** By building a good team and playing decent football (no more route one, thank you Mr Sanchez) and Jimmy Bullard and Brian McBride coming back from injury. Plus a little bit of luck!

**Q** Tell me something most people do not know about you.

**A** I feature on a number of classical CDs as a singer with a choir called the Holst Singers. Our latest CD, a collection of Estonian folk songs by Tormis, has just been favourably reviewed on BBC Radio 3.

Available for £12.99 on Amazon and in all good music shops!

**Q** We are told that crime is falling, but it feels like it is rising – particularly violent crime. What is the truth?

**A** The truth is that there has been a 16 per cent decrease in overall crime since 2003. This figure comes from the latest British Crime Survey, which is extremely reliable as it asks people if they have experienced crime.

Also, the number of crimes recorded by the police fell by 12 per cent between October and December 2007 compared with the same quarter a year earlier.

In particular, robbery fell by 21 per cent and most serious violence against the person by 15 per cent.

The reasons for the gap between these facts and public perception are complex and probably related to media messages around crime, the rise of terrorism and wider anti-social behaviour.

**Kent Probation Area is one of the largest probation services in England and Wales.**

**Every year the Kent service supervises around 5,000 offenders on punishment and rehabilitation orders, punishment orders and licences and prepares around 5,500 reports for the courts.**

**More than 500 staff work in the community, courts, the hostel and prisons as well as on secondment to agencies.**

Sarah Billiald, new chief officer for Kent Probation, talks to **Gary Wright** about her job, her previous role as deputy director of the Home Affairs team in the Prime Minister's Delivery Unit – and her love of Fulham

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# Demelza taking its show on the road

BY NICK AMES

THE Demelza Hospice Care for Children Lottery is taking part in a road show across the county.

As well as making people aware of the charity's work with terminally-ill children, it will give visitors the chance to join in a weekly draw which could net them a £1,000 jackpot.

There are 52 other weekly prizes on offer for just a £1 weekly stake and all money raised goes towards Demelza's vital work in caring for terminally-ill children, giving them as many rich experiences as possible and assisting their families.

There are 450 sick children and their families currently being cared for by the dedicated staff who work for the hospice which offers residential care, a hospice-at-home service, emergency respite for families, therapy treatment and bereavement care.

### Guidance

Visiting a community gives residents the chance to understand what Demelza offers those children who have conditions which, ultimately, will take their lives.

Staff are on hand to answer questions and anyone who wants to assist in any way at all can get guidance and advice.

The lottery road show will be in Fremlins Walk, Maidstone, on Saturday, Herne Bay town centre on Sunday, Gravesend town centre on September 11, 12, and 18, Dartford on October 9, Whitefriars, Canterbury on October 24 and 25, and Ashford town centre on November 4.

Demelza also celebrates its tenth birthday this year with a special event – supported by KOS Media – set to take place at Gillingham FC's Priestfield Stadium on September 25.

Spokeswoman, Sue Piper, said: "We are going to celebrate in style and want people to come along and join the fun – so contact us now to secure your place."



**PARTY TIME:** Demelza House will celebrate its 10th birthday with a special event at Gillingham FC's Priestfield Stadium

A number of fund-raising campaigns are being held alongside the party.

Former England football star Gary Lineker, who is a vice president of the charity, said: "Demelza has grown a lot in the last ten years and now cares for more than 450 children and families across the South East."

"But there are so many more the charity can reach with your support."

As part of the birthday celebrations, the charity is asking for volunteers to take a cardboard clown coin holder which holds ten one pound pieces and fill it up.

All fund-raising efforts will ensure the work of the organisation, which is based at Bobbing, near Sittingbourne, continues to go ahead.

• **For more information call [events@demelza.org.uk](mailto:events@demelza.org.uk) or go to [www.demelza.org.uk](http://www.demelza.org.uk).**

## Smart tips for safety by the sea

COASTGUARDS have launched a Sea Smart summer safety campaign with millions of holidaymakers set to flock to beaches around the Kent coast this summer.

Due to the pinch of the credit crunch holidays at home are set to boom over the coming weeks – with popular hotspots including Thanet, Whitstable, Folkestone and Hythe, along with the Isle of Sheppey.

But coastguards say this could mean more people getting into difficulty in the water.

The Sea Smart campaign promotes beach and sea safety messages to families with children.

UK Chief Coastguard Rod Johnson said: "More and more people are choosing to holiday at home and explore our varied, dramatic and accessible coastline."

"What I want to do is to help educate families."

Mr Johnson emphasised the following points:

- Consider visiting a beach with lifeguards if there is one nearby.
- Always keep your children in sight at the beach, especially toddlers. Even a small wave can knock a child over.
- If your child is using an inflatable, make sure they are being supervised and that the inflatable is secured to the shoreline and held by an adult. Even the slightest of breezes could blow the inflatable away from the shore.
- Keep clear of cliff edges – we've got some high cliffs around the UK and they do sometimes give way under foot.
- Always swim close to the beach in line with the shore. Don't go alone.
- Check the weather and tides before you leave home – don't get swept away.
- If you are going afloat, always wear an appropriate lifejacket or buoyancy aid.



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## The festival vibe comes to town for Folk Week

BY SIMON ROBINSON

THE hard-working organisers behind Broadstairs Folk Week deserve knighthoods for services to music – after offering up 540 events across seven days.

By my reckoning that boils down to 77.14 concerts, workshops, fairs and other folk-related attractions each day.

To push the basic mathematics a few steps further that roughly translates to one new, exciting event every 20 minutes.

More than 120 folk artists alone have been lined up to perform during the annual August event, far too many to name individually.

However, some of the stand-out archetypal 'we drink real ale and like skiffle' folk-named bands include The Trouser Trumpets, Shadrack Boswell's Knifegrinders, Junk & Disorderly and His Worship & The Pig.

Workshops include dance such as Bulgarian, Cajun and English clog; song such as African polyphonies, harmony singing and Northumbrian tunes, and music such as tenor banjo, fiddle and the mandolin.

The ever-popular craft fair, situated on Victoria Gardens, next to the bandstand on the seafront, is open from 10am to 10pm and features an array of exotic gifts from across the globe.

A Folk Week spokesman said: "If you need



**GREAT:** Eliza Carthy and Warsaw, left, are among the many performers due to appear at Broadstairs Folk Week

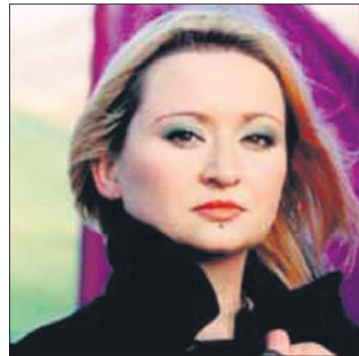
an unusual present, this is the place. Handmade jumpers from Ecuador, musical instruments, pottery, handmade cards, jewellery, silks from the Far East, rainbow-coloured shoes, leather belts, lanterns, castles, garden ornaments – the list is endless.

### Inescapable

With the week starting up in only nine days time, the organisers said they were itching to get going.

The spokesman said: "During Folk Week, life in Broadstairs really is set to music.

"In the parks, pubs, gardens, beaches and



promenade, musicians, from the highly professional to the inexperienced amateur, get together in impromptu sessions whilst Morris dancers, Appalachian clog dancers, rapper sword dancers and many others demonstrate their skills on the streets and along the prom.

"There really is a festival vibe in the town, nobody who arrives in Broadstairs during Folk Week wonders whether there is an event taking place, it's inescapable – in the best possible way."

Folk Week runs from Friday, August 8, to Friday, August 15. For tickets and more information visit [www.broadstairsfolkweek.org.uk](http://www.broadstairsfolkweek.org.uk).

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**ATTRACTION:** Jools Holland performs at Rochester Castle



**EXPERIENCE:** Sister Mantos at Lounge on the Farm

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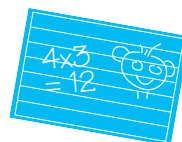
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## Playground a tribute to Lucy

BY TOM BETTS

A PLAY area at St Peter-in-Th Janet Junior School is to be officially dedicated in memory of a pupil who passed away three years ago.

Lucy Hilton died from a brain tumour aged just ten-years-old and was a fun-loving, bright and bubbly personality.

After she died, Lucy's family and schoolfriends

were asked what the best type of memorial to her would be and they all agreed a play area would be most suitable because she loved her time in the school playground so much.

Fund-raising got under way and more than £25,000 was eventually raised.

During her illness Lucy had been invited to Chelsea FC by the Make a Wish Foundation and she acted as a mascot for the day at a Premiership match.

Her bravery, courage and personality inspired international midfielder Frank Lampard who became a close friend of Lucy and her family during her illness and wrote

about her in his biography, Totally Frank.

Chelsea donated a signed shirt to be auctioned as part of the fund raising.

A patron of the Teenage Cancer Trust, Lampard dedicated two goals that won Chelsea the title at Bolton three years ago to the youngster.

He said: "That's for you Lucy" to the TV cameras after the game. The following week he took her on to the Stamford Bridge pitch as the Blues received the Premiership trophy.

Lampard said: "We became especially close. I was also close to her mum and dad, too.

She was special and we clicked right away.

"She had a personality that threw itself at you. We made each other laugh so it was difficult not to get so close to her."

Lampard told how Lucy's condition deteriorated and how he "cried and cried and cried" when she passed away.

On Tuesday, July 22, Lucy's memorial service will be held at 4pm, with former classmates invited to attend along with staff and family including her sister Millie, who is in her last year at the school.

Father Philip Hobday from St Peter's Church will give a short service.

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## More power to their el-bow

ARCHERY is the latest sport to score a bullseye at Broadstairs' Hereson School.

Young bowmen developing their technique and skills in the sport which has proved so popular that after-school training has been added to complement PE lessons.

Graham Medhurst from the school's PE department said: "There is a lot of discipline and timing involved. It's great for hand-to-eye co-ordination and is a sport that boys who may not enjoy team games really get on with. It is proving really popular."

Other outdoor activities Hereson boys take part in include scaling a 20ft by 30ft climbing wall, getting to grips with a 45ft abseiling tower, orienteering and initiative games.

The unusual activities join traditional

sports including soccer, boxing and golf on the school's PE programme.

Hereson staff and students are now demonstrating their love of archery and other activities to youngsters from primary schools in the area.

The idea is to offer them an insight into the different types of supervised sports they may like to try.

Head teacher, Tony Hamson, said: "Hereson has a strong base of traditional sports but we believe in providing other challenges."

"Archery, golf, abseiling and the climbing wall are not what you would expect at a school like ours but we strive to be different and make the effort to give the boys extra choices."

### BREAK TIME

#### Students learn to set sail

THANET College students earned their day skippers award on board a brand-new £500,000 yacht.

Royal Temple Yacht Club member, Lance Stephens, leases out his Grand Soleil 50 Sydney II to the club's school of navigation and sail training and the Public Services students were the first on board.

The group of 15 undertook a week's intense theory before spending two days at sea.

Course leader, Tracey Prebble, said: "Working as a team built their confidence and you could see them progress. The students gained valuable life skills."

#### Rounders team retain cup

WELLESLEY House girls have defended their title as National JET U13 Rounders winners.

The team beat Millfield School in an exciting final at St Edwards' Oxford.

The JET competition is a national rounders contest for independent schools and no school in the history of the competition has won the trophy back-to-back.

Headmaster, Simon O'Malley, said: "The girls can be justly proud. They played brilliantly and deserved to retain the trophy."

Wellesley House is a co-educational prep school in Broadstairs for children aged seven to 13.

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It's destined for playground mania – get ready for the year's biggest kids' phenomenon! We have five copies of Zoomstarz to give away.

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**Your question is:**  
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- Tea bags;
- Coffee grounds;
- Dog hair;
- Hamster bedding and
- Even the contents of your vacuum cleaner.

If you want to cut down on the number of trips you make to the bin, it would be worth getting a composting caddy for your home. You can use the caddy to store up biodegradable household waste such as vegetable peelings, but you need only empty it into your compost bin when it is convenient. You can buy compost caddies from many retailers and the Recycle Now website, or alternatively you can just use an old ice cream tub.



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# yourthanetblogger

Nothing is ever as it seems with the isle's Tories, says Labour councillor David Green



## Our Blue Flag beaches are in danger of going to the dogs

THANET council is conducting a so-called 'consultation' concerning a proposed Dog Control Order. Comments from the public need to be made by August 29 to hanna.thorpe@thanet.gov.uk or to c/o Thanet DC PO Box 9 CT9 1XZ.

The proposal is to exclude dogs from the sandy areas of 10 beaches across Thanet between the hours of 10am and 6pm from May 15 to September 15.

The public may consider this to be a reasonable response to the conflicting desires of dog owners wanting to exercise their animals and the general public, who quite reasonably want beaches free from dog excrement.

However, things are never quite what they seem when Thanet council Conservatives are involved.

What is being portrayed as a simple administrative measure to bring a couple of beaches in line with the isle's other beaches is in fact a proposal to greatly relax our controls over dogs on our beaches.

Until now, dogs have been excluded completely from eight of Thanet's 23 beaches at any time of day from May 15 to September 15. The new proposal will allow dogs on

the beach up to 10am, every day of the week.

Take Ramsgate main sands as an example. The new proposals risk the few irresponsible owners allowing their dogs to contaminate the sands any morning prior to children using them later in the day.

Depending on the tides, these sands may not be washed until the following day. Some beaches are not washed by the tide at all.

Again, using Ramsgate as an example, we have a perfectly reasonable arrangement by which dogs are allowed on the Westcliff beach and at the eastern end of the main sands, both areas washed completely by the tides twice a day. Why change this?

Most owners will say they clean up after their dogs and that anyone who fails to do so is committing an offence. Even so, evidence to the contrary is all too evident.

Contamination with dog excrement is not just unpleasant, but it can be harmful, especially to young children. For more information, you can visit [www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dpdx/parasites/toxocara/factsheet\\_toxocara.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dpdx/parasites/toxocara/factsheet_toxocara.htm).

Toxocariasis is a zoonotic (animal to human) infection caused by the parasitic roundworms commonly found in the intestine of dogs and cats.

Toxocara infections can cause OLM, an eye disease which may lead to blindness and which occurs when a microscopic worm enters the eye, causing inflammation and leading to a scarred retina. Each year more than 700 people infected with toxocara experience permanent partial loss of vision.

Ramsgate is justifiably jealous of the Blue Flag status of Ramsgate Sands, the only south-facing sandy beach in Kent.

Criteria for the award of a Blue Flag beach are clear: "Regulations concerning dogs and other domestic animals on the beach must be strictly enforced (i).

"Dogs should be banned from the award beach area throughout the bathing season in both England and Northern Ireland.

"There should be an enforced byelaw or Dog Control Order banning dogs from the award beach area from May to September.

"The dog ban area should be marked on the beach map and on the ground and clear signage should be in place. There may be a dog exercise area next to the award area [outside the Blue Flag award area], but this should be clearly delineated and controlled."

Let's keep our beaches clean.

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## TALK TIME

### DANIEL MORRIS

Daniel is owner of the Morris Agency, the county's largest live music and entertainment agency. Here he talks about his work and Thanet's thriving talent...



#### What do you do for a living?

I own and run the largest live music and entertainment agency in Kent, which is based in Margate.

It is predominantly a live music agency providing acts for a wide variety of private and public events.

We work very closely with Thanet District Council and for the last few years have been responsible for supplying artists at Margate's Big Event and the European Water Ski Championships.

Many of our clients require our services for events such as parties, weddings and corporate events all the way through to international product launches, theatre tours and session recordings for films and television.

#### Do you enjoy your job?

The reason I love what I do is that it is my company and, as many self-employed people will tell you, this has its advantages and disadvantages, but the daily challenges I face mean that it is never boring.

I also get to meet some great people, speak to famous artists' agents and help generate work for the artists I represent.

#### Do you think Thanet has a lot of talent?

Thanet has buckets of talent. It still surprises me that there can be such a collection of people that live in a relatively small space, yet all be in the creative sector and doing very well.

Within the diverse range of acts we represent, there are some names that, within their field, are internationally renowned, such as Tim Edey, who is regarded by many to be one of the finest melodeon and guitar players of his generation in the worldwide Celtic folk scene.

## YOUR LETTERS



### Errors that have dogged Manston

I AM emailing in response to last week's blog by Eastcliff Richard.

It is easy to be cynical and critical of the workings of Manston airport.

Had the article offered some positive suggestions, then it might have been more helpful.

My family and friends used Manston regularly in the days of EUjet because it was so convenient and we wanted to support the airport.

Unfortunately it should have been obvious to anyone, let alone any business manager, that such a diverse range of destinations could never be profitable.

It was very sad when it folded, although not totally unexpected.

I tried to find the Kent International Airport website after Christmas 2007 and it was still well out of date at this crucial time.

Also the flights that had been available to Portugal, which we had been told previously were so popular, had been removed.

A local travel agent also told me that they were still awaiting sales brochures.

This airport has a lot of potential, but it is still living with the legacy of unreliability I understand the current



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owners are more financially secure, but these things take time to recover from.

The flights to the States that never happened was another example of poor market research – none of these things inspire

confidence.

I remain optimistic about Manston, but there is a real need to be more proactive and enthusiastic about selling it.

One open day a year is not enough – you have to maintain

the public interest if you are to regain confidence and therefore sell more tickets.

Wishing Manston a healthy and busy future.

Ann Morrissey  
Broadstairs

## Airport has made at least two jobs!

Eastcliff Richard suggested in last week's blog that Manston airport is not the thousands-of-jobs generator that we keep being told it is.

Well, Eastcliff Richard, I would like to inform you that Kent International Airport has created at least two jobs this year.

Just look on the website – and please note that one of the jobs displayed has not even passed its closing date for applications.

It's no wonder that clever Thanet council bases its entire economic policy on Manston. Well, that and covering the rest of the Isle in concrete (and glass, of course).

Our future is in safe hands.

Mick Davies  
Broadstairs

## Together we can save town car park

I want to thank Yourthanet so much for its coverage of the proposed sell-off of Albion Place car park in Ramsgate.

The latest news is that Thanet council is conceding residents have a point concerning parking.

The proposal for disposal is being withdrawn for a year while officers investigate.

We would like to say thank you to everyone who took the time to write letters, attend the consultation and generally get involved.

Thanks to Cllrs Liz and David Green for their help, and a

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special thank-you to the good people at Flavours Café for allowing us to use the site for our petition and collect so many signatures.

Although we knew the council had already reached its decision to delay the disposal of the car park, we still attended the asset meeting to defend the site.

I would like to say an enormous thank-you to Nigel Martin and Bob Ellender for speaking on our behalf and doing such a grand job, also for taking the time and trouble to help me with my first-ever public speech.

At the meeting we were delighted to see and hear Cllr John Kirby defending our rights over the car park yet again.

He stands by his decision he made in 2005 – leave the car park alone.

Well done, everybody – we will continue this campaign for as long as it takes.

Linda Miles  
Ramsgate

## Event was let down by poor advertising

I COULDN'T agree more with the comments made by Gerry O'Donnell in last week's Yourthanet.

I went along to Ramsgate's European Water Ski Championships and was shocked by the lack of organisation and advertising.

Hardly anyone knew the event was on – and I'm talking about people who live and work in Thanet every day!

Tiny A4 posters stuck on a few windows and putting up a banner two days before the event is not enough.

Ramsgate is a beautiful town and has the potential to shine alongside

towns like Brighton, but without the necessary advertising that should come along with these events we will continue to be the underdog.

Lindsey Beer  
Ramsgate

## It's time to come clean over spending

On behalf of pensioners and disabled people in the isle, perhaps Yourthanet could look into where our council tax goes.

A good number of pensioners and disabled people have great difficulty in finding the ever-rising cost of the council tax and are living below the poverty line. This is while councils line their pockets with money.

The county council invested in a failing business at Manston airport which finally went bust and taxpayers' money was lost.

Perhaps the county council could explain this use of our money and replace the mis-spent sums.

All the victims of this use of our council tax are hoping that this nonsense should be investigated.

Disabled pensioner  
Thanet

## Labour proposal is prejudiced and sexist

I refer to the letter in last week's Yourthanet from Labour councillor Clive Hart in which he wrote about the rights of residents to speak at council planning committee site visits.

Being a county councillor and a supporter of this Labour government, Cllr Hart should not

forget that it is his party that has taken away many of our rights since they came to power.

For example, Labour's proposal to use the law to encourage businesses to employ and promote more women and ethnic minorities is both prejudiced and sexist.

The best person should always get the job, regardless of gender or ethnicity.

The only people who still support Labour appear to be those on the gravy train – the rest of us in Thanet just dig deeper to fund their lifestyle.

Charles J A Goddard  
Westgate-on-Sea

## Prescription costs tax the vulnerable

No one should be in a position where they are forced to select their medication based on what they can afford.

Yet this is the reality for far too many cancer patients.

Cancer patients do not just have the odd one-off prescription to pay for.

They usually need multiple prescriptions to ease distressing side-effects of cancer treatment and often spend hundreds of pounds each year paying for prescriptions.

Macmillan is calling on the Government to make prescriptions free so the sick and vulnerable aren't penalised in this way.

If you would like to join Macmillan's campaign, visit [www.macmillan.org.uk/campaigns](http://www.macmillan.org.uk/campaigns), where you can take part in an online survey, or send a letter to your local MP.

Stephen Richards  
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His many recordings have attracted high critical acclaim and a Brit Award. His coupling of Britten's Cello Symphony and Walton's Concerto, recorded with Sir Neville Marriner and the Academy of St Martin in the Fields, was described by Gramophone magazine as "beyond any rival".

Lloyd Webber won a scholarship to the Royal College of Music when he was just 16 and went on to complete his studies in Geneva, under the tutelage of renowned French cellist Pierre Fournier. His stellar career has included collaborations with an array of musicians including Yehudi

Menuhin, Lorin Maazel, Esa-Pekka Salonen, Georg Solti, Stephane Grappelli, Elton John and Cleo Laine.

He recently recorded Phantasia for EMI Records, which was based on his brother Andrew's phenomenally successful musical Phantom of the Opera. The recording featured violinist Sarah Chang and Unexpected Songs.

### Awards

Lloyd Webber's version of the Elgar Concerto conducted by Menuhin, for which he won a Brit Award, was named the finest ever version by BBC Music Magazine. His many other releases include the Dvorák Concerto with Vaclav Neumann and the Czech Philharmonic, Tchaikovsky's Rocco Variations with the London Symphony under Maxim Shostakovich and the short piece collections Made in England, Cello Moods and Cradle Songs for Universal Classics.

He also writes a monthly music column for the Daily Telegraph and plays an active part in music education projects. Lloyd Webber plays the Barjansky Stradivarius cello, dating from around 1690.

His programme at Leeds Castle's romantic banqueting hall will include Bach's Adagio in G, Britten's Scherzo-Pizzicato, The Swan by Saint Saens and Debussy's Sonata from 1915.

After the interval he will premiere a specially commissioned piece by former Classic FM composer in Residence, Patrick Hawes. The audience will also hear In The Half Light, written by his father William, and Lloyd Webber's own composition Jackie's Song.

The concert starts at 8pm and tickets cost £75. There are also opportunities to enjoy a post-concert dinner and stay overnight at the castle. For more information and to book, phone the box office on 01622 880008, or see [www.leeds-castle.com/arts](http://www.leeds-castle.com/arts).

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The nine-day festival began on Saturday and features a variety of fascinating events taking place at venues around the town.

One of the most exciting attractions will be the Napoleonic re-enactment by the Connaught Rangers 88th Regiment of Foot The Devils Own, taking place at Government Acre on Saturday and Sunday.

The public will be able to see the authentic military camp, watch the troops march, witness the English pit their wits against the



French in a human chess game and marvel at the thrilling battle display.

The festival, organised by the Bygone Days Historical Group, also offers falconry displays, a climbing wall, an

exhibition by local artist Denys Le Fevre, a craft and psychic fair, a Napoleonic battle of the bands and much more.

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## THANET LEISURE

### Satirical comedy is certainly no illusion

SUMMER repertory theatre returns to Broadstairs for the first time in 50 years.

The season opens with The Millionairess, which runs at Sarah Thorne Theatre Club until Saturday. Bernard Shaw's satirical comedy takes a look at the illusion of power that money creates.

Performances start at 7.30pm tonight with a 2.30pm matinee on Saturday. Tickets cost £10 for club members and £12 for non-members, with discounts on offer. To book, phone 0845 262 6263.

### Contemporary take on a child's influence

THE creative effect children can have on their artist parents is explored in an exhibition at Turner Contemporary.

Generate reveals the results of families working together and features work inspired by the creative thought processes of children. It will be on display at Droit House in Margate, from Thursday until August 31.

Parents and children from the area can take part in a series of free summer workshops linked to Generate. The next will be held at Dane Park from noon to 5pm on Saturday.

For details call 01843 294363 or visit [www.turnercontemporary.org](http://www.turnercontemporary.org).

### Live entertainments to end with a bang

A FANTASTIC line-up of music is on offer as part of Broadstairs' annual summer programme of fireworks.

Broadstairs and St Peters Town Council has organised some great acts, including EK1 who will be performing at the Victoria Parade Bandstand at 8pm tonight. The evening will be rounded off with the spectacular display over Viking Bay at 9.45pm. The event is free.

### Electric gig will rock you down the River

ELECTRIC River will be performing their own brand of punky rock'n'roll at a pub in Margate this week.

Examples of the band's music can be heard at their website [www.electricriver.co.uk](http://www.electricriver.co.uk).

Catch them live at the Britannia in Port Hill, Margate, on Friday. For more details about the gig or venue, phone the Britannia on 01843 223269.

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## MARGATE CARNIVAL

Sunday, August 3  
Margate seafront

THE carnival parade will be stepping out in style to bring even more excitement to this year's extravaganza.

Led by a New Orleans jazz band and the Margate Carnival Court, the parade will feature more entries than last year, including a fantastic float from Hastings that is worth looking out for.

With its great music, vibrant colours and the Road Shows from Notting Hill, this year's parade should be a sight to behold.

It will set out from the Royal Esplanade, Westbrook, at 3pm and finish at Palm Bay Avenue, Cliftonville. Free entertainment at the Piazza at the harbour, with music from Co-Co-press and A Tribute to Bob Marley during the afternoon and early evening. Spectators will even be invited to

try their hand at drumming.

The Carnival Dance takes place at the Winter Gardens at 8pm, with free admission, and a spectacular fireworks display will light up the sea from the Harbour Arm at 9.45pm.

This year organisers have been working with the Margate Charter Trustees, Margate Town Partnership, Thanet Leisure Force and Thanet District Council in a bid to make the event an extra-special one.

## THE COMEDY CLUB

Friday, August 1  
Theatre Royal Margate

THREE top comedians will be tickling funny bones and keeping the gags flowing at The Comedy Club.

Smart one-liners and brilliantly written, silly stories make compere Kevin Shepherd a hugely likeable stage presence. His personal material includes something all new fathers can relate to: his experiences looking after his baby.

Scottish comic, musician and sketch writer Roddy Fraser has created a buzz during his six years on the circuit, appearing at top UK venues like The Comedy Club, The Comedy Store and Jongleurs. He has also appeared at the Edinburgh and Vancouver festivals and performed with comics of international standing, such as David Cross, Jeremy Hotz and Stephen Merchant.

Phil Butler (right) has a razor-sharp wit and boundless confidence which has taken him all over the world, including performing for the armed forces in Iraq and Afghanistan. He also made his acting debut as a chef in BBC1's Hotel Babylon and can be seen singing in a TV advert for the AA.

The show, which is suitable for over-18s, starts at 7.45pm and tickets cost £10. To book, phone 0845 130 1786 or 01227 787787.



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## Family comes first at the Greyhound

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THE pub has rapidly established itself as a popular family-friendly place, and licensee Keith Barnett is proud of what has been achieved in the past 12 months.

"This is a pub where we welcome children," he said.

"It has a large garden with seating and a play area for them."

Food is one of the big attractions, with a varied menu and home-produced food, including curry, steak-and-ale pie and daily specials, which have proved amazingly popular.

Keith is clear on the reason for success: his



staff. "They are excellent and I always feel that if you make it clear what you want from them they will deliver."

"Work hard and play hard seems to be the key."

The pub has a function room where they are able to cater for parties of up to 60 people from weddings to birthday celebrations.

Customers come from all over Thanet and local boy Keith loves the area.

"We are a traditional-run, friendly pub serving good, value-for-money food," he said.

The pub opens from 11am-11pm daily, except Sundays, when it is open from noon until 10.30pm.

## Menu is comfortably varied

#### ■ Comfort Inn

THERE are two diners' favourites at the Comfort Inn: Muglai chicken on the Indian menu and steak and cob on its traditional menu.

"Both are made in-house by our team of English and Indian chefs," said Karen Nash, duty manager.

"The majority of the food is home-made and we also have an extensive fish menu which is very popular."

The Comfort Inn is a three-star, fully air-conditioned building that caters for everyone. That can be in its salon, people visiting for conferences, weddings, anniversaries, functions or purely there for a meal or drink.

Everywhere is open seven days

a week, including the beauty salon.

Clients come from all over the country, but the inn remains popular with people from Ramsgate and the surrounding area all year around.

Karen believes the key to running a successful restaurant is anticipation.

She said: "My belief is you look after your customers by trying to anticipate what they want. We would like our customers to leave having had a positive dining experience and thinking about when they are coming back."

Head chef is Steff Gruiggs, who has been with the company for more than 25 years.

Karen commented: "He has a unique sense of humour and is very placid and level-headed."

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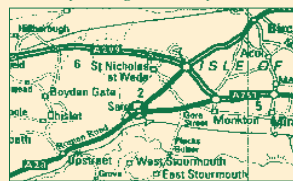
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## Jump on board for food

### ■ The Tartar Frigate

FEW would argue that the restaurant has carved something of a reputation during its 16 years for seafood and attracts customers from all over the world.

The Tartar Frigate promises fresh, whole-some food served in lovely surroundings, says Lemini Whiteley.

The 50-cover restaurant tends to focus on individual customers but can accommodate what it likes to term intimate gatherings – wedding breakfasts and birthday parties.

Its best-seller is a starter of avocado and layered crab – rich brown crab meat topped with slices of avocado, topped with flakes of white crab meat, coriander, lemon and tomato.

Then roasted monkfish, filled with scallops, wrapped in parma ham and served with melted sage and lemon butter is a top choice as main course. Home-made crème brûlée or summer fruit pudding tie for dessert.

Some customers still go their own way, though, according to Lemini. "We had one gentleman who asked for his steak not to be cooked. And once we had a customer who asked for the heads to be removed from the whitebait!"



She said the sea views are another attraction for customers and service is a priority.

"We have constant standards, good, hard-working staff who want to work here and we offer customers good value," said Lemini.

To sum up, Lemini said: "The Tartar Frigate is honest, wholesome food, cooked with experience, served by pleasant, professional people, in a quality comfortable environment and, of course, overlooking beautiful Broadstairs beach."

## Fresh secret to success

### ■ Newby's Wine Bar

AFTER 12 years in business, the owner of this popular bar and restaurant is under no illusion as to why it has been such a success: ambience.

Owner Richard Ash said: "This is an original old town eating house in an 18th-century building with a great atmosphere."

Local produce features highly on the menu. "We use Kentish beef and lamb, as well as vegetables and fish all complemented by the more exotic ostrich and kangaroo. We have an extensive vegetarian selection, too."

But Richard says it remains difficult to pick out one particular favourite dish: "All our dishes are popular – honestly! Many customers return time and time again and are happy to try something new each time."

"I believe our success can be summed up in three words: fresh, fresh, fresh!"

The restaurant can cater for parties and functions accommodating up to 60 people without any difficulty.

And he counts Timothy Spall among many famous faces who have graced his restaurant over the years, including several soap actors.



While he is no doubt that ambience is one of the main draws, he said success had also been earned thanks to friendly and efficient staff and, of course, good food.

"Value for money is also important alongside the service people rightly expect these days."

In the kitchen, Richard says his chefs have rarely demonstrated the popular myth of swearing too much, but he believes a good chef is "always creative and a little strange".

Newby's is open every Thursday, Friday and Saturday, for lunch from 11.30am until 2.30pm and, of course, evenings.

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Try the Captain Nemo selection: scallops, mussels and tiger prawns steamed with white wine and fresh herbs on a bed of smoked salmon and fresh leaf salad. Dessert should be crème brûlée or fresh fruit pavlova. Wine Casillero del Diablo Sauvignon Blanc is a great accompaniment.

#### King's Head Inn, Sarre

Chilli chicken sticks of fire, crispy pastry sticks filled with chicken, diced water chestnuts and chilli, served with hot or sweet chilli sauce, are delicious. Also recommended is tempura battered hake and chips, with peas. Finish the meal with bread and butter pudding.

#### Kent International, Minster

A must-try dish is pork fillet, stuffed with spinach and mushrooms, wrapped in bacon served with roasted red onions, creamy potatoes and veal jus. For dessert, try banoffee pie.

#### Newby's Wine Bar, Margate

Starter with mussels with shallots and cider, and chicken satay with a crisp salad and peanut dip. Then go for steak served with chips or new potatoes and fresh vegetables. For dessert, fresh lemon tart is recommended.

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See [www.newlook.co.uk](http://www.newlook.co.uk).

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## YOUR TV REVIEW

**GRANGE HILL**  
BBC One, 4.35pm, Monday

■ BY TOM BETTS

I SPENT hours and hours in my youth watching Grange Hill and I'd say with some confidence that it was better than most – if not all – of the TV aimed at our kids today.

So, I was dismayed to hear the plug had been pulled and show creator Phil Redmond felt the show had "run its course".

It was up there with the axing of Top of the Pops as a 'head in hands, this country is going down the pan' moment.

And the real salt in the wound is the possibility of a spin-off, set to be called The Grange, which takes place in a multimedia learning centre.

All very PC, but I'll bet my bottom dollar it'll last about as long as Eldorado.

I was with the gang in the glory days when they said a big fat 'no' to drugs (or in Zammo's case 'yes'), when large-framed Roland Browning copped off with French girl Fabienne and when Mr Bronson lost his wig thanks to that mischievous, artistic weirdo Danny Kendall. Damn that little rascal.

And who can forget the flying sausage on a fork randomly entering the comic strip frame as the titles crept along to that jaunty, yet somewhat sinister, theme tune – and I haven't even mentioned Tucker Jenkins.

Ah, great days!

It was with all this in mind that I tuned in to pay my last respects to the current, and 31st series, which is destined to be the last before this TV classic goes off to that great inkwell in the sky.

Like me it's been going for about 30 years so I had to have one last look, for old times sake.



**NEW:** Togger (Chris Perry-Metcalf) is another in a long line of great Grange Hill characters

I had dreaded what I was about to see and imagined it would be little more than Hollyoaks for pre-teens, but I've certainly spent worse 25 minutes.

Some young scamp called Togger was doing his best Cassanova impression and stringing along the ladies – good to see that some of the original spirit was still there.

If it wasn't so late in the day and about to bite the dust I think I could really get back into this; and I'm not even yanking your school tie.

Shame we all have these pesky job things stopping us from enjoying such treats and tuning in more, but then again, in true Hill style, I guess we could all rebel a bit and sneak off early every now and then.

Meet me behind the bikesheds after lunch break.

## YOUR WEEK'S HOROSCOPE

BY RUSSELL GRANT



### AQUARIUS (Jan 21-Feb 19)

A MEETING of the minds ushers in a new phase of a relationship. You're starting to realise you can't do everything by yourself – nor do you want to. Business pairings are favoured. Your partner can handle the practical aspects of your partnership, while you attend to other things. To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Aquarius** 09067-531762



### TAURUS (Apr 21-May 21)

YOU may decide to move to a new home. Although change isn't your favourite thing, this transition will be very good for you. It will help you to think in terms of what you need, instead of what everyone else wants. If a child or roommate decides to move out, don't stop them. To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Taurus** 09067-531753



### LEO (Jul 24-Aug 23)

A RARE opportunity to realise your personal potential could fall into your lap. The changes ahead will transform your lifestyle. Some of your friends may fall by the wayside. It may even be necessary to move to a posh neighbourhood. Don't let feelings of loyalty hold you back. To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Leo** 09067-531756



### SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)

YOU could be rewarded for your career success. A glamorous job, a big promotion, or a handsome raise could be yours. Alternately, you could be given an award for excellence. People are impressed with your leadership abilities. These days, it's rare to meet someone who can inspire. To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Scorpio** 09067-531759



### PISCES (Feb 20-Mar 20)

TURNING over a new leaf with regard to your health is key. Help will seem to drop from the sky. Don't look this gift horse in the mouth. If someone offers you counsel, accept. This person may assume a parental role in your life and you probably need to be handled this way. To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Pisces** 09067-531763



### GEMINI (May 22-Jun 22)

TAKING a class could give you a whole new lease on life. You've been blessed with great intellectual gifts. When you don't put them to use, depression sets in. The performing arts could have special appeal for you. Studying acting, singing, or dancing is highly favoured. To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Gemini** 09067-531754



### VIRGO (Aug 24-Sep 23)

YOU could uncover surprising information about your hidden motivations. Now you have seen how you have been your own worst enemy, you can correct the problem. Stop loading your schedule with odious tasks. Make time for solitary activities like reading, writing, and craftwork. To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Virgo** 09067-531757



### SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)

A DESIRE for wisdom and truth could lure you down a whole new path. Going on a spiritual pilgrimage could be in the cards. Expanding your horizons is the name of the game. If you're offered an opportunity, grab it with both hands. Don't worry about the mundane details of life. To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Sagittarius** 09067-531760



### ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 20)

NEWS of a pregnancy could come as a total surprise. The arrival of this child will change your life in strange and exciting ways. Lately, you've been putting too much emphasis on work and personal obligations. You've got to step back from these duties, or they'll drag you down. To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Aries** 09067-531752



### CANCER (Jun 23-Jul 23)

YOU could be offered a very lucrative job. Providing services to wealthy clients could bring you lots of pleasure, as well as a great deal of money. Resist the urge to indulge in destructive habits. They will only prevent you from doing the work necessary to succeed. To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Cancer** 09067-531755



### LIBRA (Sep 24-Oct 23)

AN unusual group of people is about to enter your life. Your new friends will prompt you to question many assumptions. All of the sudden, you're not sure of what is the best way to live. Infinite possibilities for leading a productive and happy life will become evident. To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Libra** 09067-531758



### CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 20)

YOUR love life could undergo some interesting twists and turns. All of the sudden, you're no longer content to have a steady job, good friends, and a roof over your head. Now you crave intimacy. Someone who breaks down your defences makes you realise your full potential. To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Capricorn** 09067-531761

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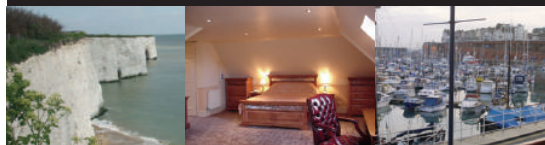


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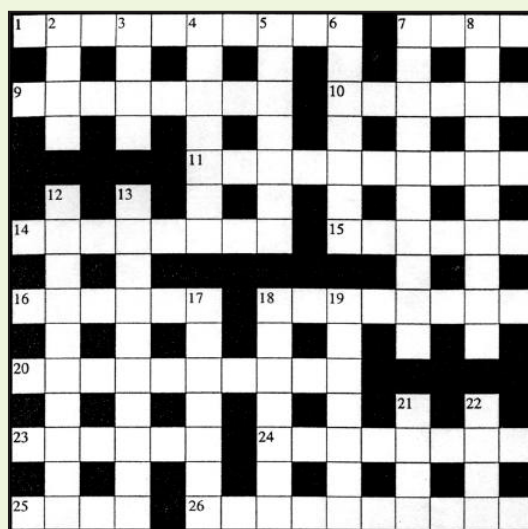
#### ACROSS

- 1 Three times skip this ice-skating manoeuvre (6-4)
- 7 About to strike shellfish (4)
- 9 Would this hot spell raise sea temperature? (4,4)
- 10 Constrain some stucco cementing (6)
- 11 Airy trial? (4-6)
- 14 St Merlin disguised wandering singer (8)
- 15 Bird left half shellfish (6)
- 16 Glance thus if confused (6)
- 18 Support objection to long hair (8)
- 20 Specifying as a condition when pronouncing fit (10)
- 23 Hit second three-wheeler (6)
- 24 Willing to endure play (8)
- 25 Worn section of investment (4)
- 26 Deputation from French diplomatic mission (10)

#### DOWN

- 2 Rush by the river (4)
- 3 Ruth had matter for regret (4)
- 4 One to enforce payment from former player (7)
- 5 Tool in US inlet swirling (7)
- 6 Deep calm (7)
- 7 Trust eccentric having means of payment (6,4)
- 8 Poisoning school mail dangerously (10)
- 12 Outline of house title removed (10)
- 13 Tip worth having (6,4)
- 17 Batting area near the wicket! (7)
- 18 Port or sherry? (7)
- 19 Follow, not North Philippine language (7)
- 21 Courage needed to prevent skidding (4)
- 22 Slip knot (4)

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### QUICK CLUES

#### ACROSS

- 1 Turning sharply (10)
- 7 Give off vapour (4)
- 9 Pit collecting filthy water (8)
- 10 Swampy ground (6)
- 11 Successful (10)
- 14 Pattern of spots (5-3)
- 15 Genial (anag.) (6)
- 16 Emergency (6)
- 18 Stupefying (8)
- 20 Cheshire town (10)
- 23 Shellfish (6)
- 24 Produced involuntary contractions (8)
- 25 Move (4)
- 26 Fame (10)

#### DOWN

- 2 Notion (4)
- 3 Zing (4)
- 4 Made furrows (7)
- 5 Illegal (7)
- 6 Small abscess in mouth (7)
- 7 Vehemence (10)
- 8 Deciding wrongly (10)
- 12 Reporter (10)
- 13 Tall building (10)
- 17 Treason (anag.) (7)
- 18 Job badly done (5-2)
- 19 Tailless feline (4,3)
- 21 Leave (4)
- 22 Conqueror (4)

## LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

### SUDOKU SOLUTIONS No46

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### CRYPTIC SOLUTION No46

ACROSS: 1 Attaché-case 9 Amoral 10 Marquee 12 Aircrow 14 Naavets 15 King Solomon 16 Per 17 Née 19 Index-finger 22 Jasmine 23 Rayless 24 Litotes 25 Vulgar 26 Academician. DOWN: 2 Tamarin 3 Auroras 4 Hal 5 Cement mixer 6 Serbian 7 Tune up 8 Letterpress 11 Jack and Jill 13 Well-dressed 18 Ersatz 19 Idiomatic 20 Idyllic 21 Grenada 25 Vim.

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ACROSS: 1 Zigzagging 7 Fume 9 Cesspool 10 Mosses 11 Vichitous 14 Polla-dot 15 Linage 16 Criss 18 Benusing 20 Warrington 23 Limpet 24 Hiccuped 25 Str Grooved 5 Illcit 6 Gumbolt 7 Ferivdness 8 Misjudging 12 Journalist 13 Skyscraper 17 Senator 18 Boctup 19 Manx cat 21 Quit 22 Hero.

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### WALK THIS WAY

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### NOT AFRAID OF HARD WORK?

Lively female, 26, 5ft2, brown hair, green eyes, size 10, single mum, enjoys most things, seeks genuine, laid-back guy for fun, friendship and more. Box 441654 ☎

### SHUGGLE UP

Tall, attractive, good hearted African female, 28yr old, enjoys films, good food and cuddles, WLTW a white male for friendship and romance. Box 441654 ☎

### ALONG THE SHORE

Brunette female, 36yr old, single mum, enjoys socialising, fun, romantic moments and family activities, WLTW a male with similar interests for friendship, maybe more. Box 442393 ☎

### LOVE TO LOVE YOU

Lovely female, 36, 5ft4, medium-large build, blonde hair, blue eyes, own house, loves walking, going out, the usual! Seeking male for long-term/serious relationship. Box 438102 ☎

### SEIZE THE DAY

Loving female, 36, 5ft4, brown hair, green eyes, likes socialising, staying in, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 428666 ☎

### MEND A BROKEN HEART

Single mum of three, 37, fun-loving, great to be around, been hurt in the past, heart has been broken and needs mending. Box 908053 ☎

### BLONDE AMBITION

Bubbly, cuddly, blonde single mum, 38, 5'6", likes cars, reading, pubs, cosy nights in, having a laugh, looking for that right male for LTR. Box 905614 ☎

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### A LOVE SUPREME

Tall, black, pretty female, 31, loves watching football, shopping, travel; seeking tall, white, loving male, 34-47, for LTR. Chatham. Box 437778 ☎

### WE COULD MAKE IT HAPPEN

Relaxed relaxed, 32yr old, 5ft4, enjoys theatre, meals and cosy nights in, WLTW a male, 30-42, for a happy relationship. Box 442617 ☎

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# Bale shows his dark side

BY ELLIE GENOWER

GONE are the days when Batman was a just a camp character in tights – now he is brooding, shadowy and even political.

The superhero was revitalised when British actor Christian Bale gave his intense interpretation of the caped crusader in 2005 movie, Batman Begins.

In The Dark Knight, the second in director Christopher Nolan's take on the franchise, Bruce Wayne is a millionaire with a mission – to save corrupt and dangerous Gotham City from criminals like the anarchistic Joker (the late Heath Ledger).

"It's nice to be coming in and playing a character where you know the whole back story," says a moody-looking Christian Bale, who is sitting hunched forward, arms folded in front of him.

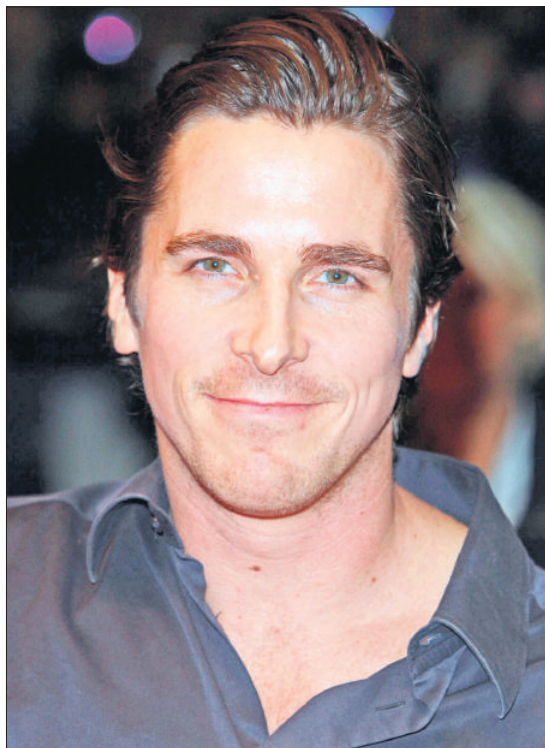
"We are trying to show a very real Gotham and real humanity to a superhero.

"Batman has no super powers. He has these conflicts within himself. He's somebody who has great altruism and who has at the same time, great temptation towards chaos, violence and revenge. He's a complete character."

Heath Ledger's version of The Joker is also a world away from the one-dimensional villain often seen in superhero films.

This movie was the last that Heath completed before his death in January this year, but the Australian actor's performance as the anarchistic psychopath is already being talked about as one of the year's most outstanding.

"Somebody like Heath loves to immerse himself completely in the role, and you can see the pleasure he's getting from that," says 34-year-old Christian.



RELUCTANT HERO: Christian Bale, like Batman, prefers to stay out of the spotlight

"And I feel likewise – that's the pleasure I get from acting.

"The way Heath plays The Joker – it's not like we're watching Heath Ledger enjoying playing this zany crazy character. He disappears and becomes this anarchic, destructive, chaotic individual."

And it's Batman who provides The Joker with his toughest challenge yet in the movie.

"Everyone's been a pushover

for The Joker," says Christian.

"Everybody can be leveraged so damn easily. The mob – they want money, that's boring. Also, The Joker despises hypocrisy and he's finally finding in Batman somebody who doesn't have that."

"But he recognises Batman's weak spot – that he will not kill." Born and raised in Britain, Christian, who began his career in Empire Of The Sun, is now based in Los Angeles, and after

filming Batman and other American films like 3:10 To Yuma, he sports a mid-Atlantic accent.

Rarely smiling throughout the interview, he has said he prefers not to reveal too much about his personal life to the press. For the record, he has been married to Sibi Blazic, a former personal assistant to Winona Ryder, for eight years, and they have a three-year-old daughter, Emmaline.

He also doesn't seem too interested in giving his opinion on anything other than the film, and won't really be drawn on why superhero movies like Iron Man and The Incredible Hulk are pushing people's buttons this summer.

"Absolutely no idea about that," he says.

"There's always a need for heroic figures. I think superheroes are a modern-day equivalent to Greek mythological figures. So naturally everybody wants a hero."

"But by the time I'm in the middle of making a movie, I'm not doing it because I'm thinking it's what society needs at this time. I'm just looking selfishly at what I'm interested in and what intrigues me."



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## Sicilian family club with a smile

BY GEORGINA RODGERS

DANGLING upside down from a trapeze by my knees and swinging through the hot air I felt a rush of excitement and fear.

It was the first time I had tried circus skills. Despite my reluctance to have a go, as I walked away from the aerial equipment towards the beach, I was already planning my next session.

But the all-important question was: when was I going to fit this in to my hectic schedule?

Between cycling, tennis, sailing, salsa classes and, of course, those all important afternoons relaxing by the pool or on the beach with a cocktail in one hand and a book in the other, I was struggling to find a window in my holiday diary.

Jackie, our friendly Club Med rep, told me it was impossible to get bored at the Kamarina resort. By day one of our holiday, I could see exactly what she meant.

On a pre-paid, all-inclusive holiday, guests can do as much or as little as they please. There is something for everyone – from body pump and aqua aerobics for

the gym bunny, to archery, a climbing wall and quad biking for the more adventurous or jet skiing, kayaking and catamaran sailing for the water babes.

There is no pressure to be any good at any of these skills. As my partner tried to co-ordinate his two left feet during a salsa class, the teacher was friendly and merely invited us both back to the next day's session.

The resort also stood out for its excellent tennis facilities with about 25 clay courts, professional tuition, and complementary racket and ball hire.

The most evident thing about Club Med was its family-friendly ethos and range of children's clubs.

Children, aged from four to ten can go to the Mini Club Med, whilst 11- to 17-year olds are welcomed to Club Med Passworld. Club Med Baby and Petite Club Med take care of the youngest.

The clubs are open for six days out of seven for nine hours a day and a special team of GOs (Gentils Organisateurs) keep the children occupied and happy throughout the day.

Despite the fact that Club Med is a French company and their clientele mostly French and Italian, they said there would always be a fluent English-speaking GO. In fact, we found that



**CLUB MED:** The Kamarina resort on Sicily provides an inclusive family-friendly holiday

most staff spoke English anyway.

Mealtimes were also very child-friendly, with each of the four village restaurants equipped with high-chairs and dishes suitable for children and babies.

The food was fresh and locally-sourced with a huge selection of freshly cooked fish, meat and vegetarian dishes, salads and pasta choices to choose from.

All the restaurants were self-service and our favourite was

Trinacria in the hotel, which we found slightly less hectic and more peaceful than the others.

The accommodation was also surprisingly good. Across the 96-hectare village, the rooms are split between the main hotel and the villaggio, where we were based.

Despite a gaggle of noisy Italians partying late into the night, it was peaceful and a holiday destination I would highly recommend.

### FACT FILE: SICILY

Time difference	UK+1hr
Capital	Palermo
Language	Italian/Sicilian
Population	5.2 million
Currency	Euro (1.2 to £1 approx)
Religion	Roman Catholic
Climate	Mediterranean

Georgina Rodgers was a guest of Club Med which offers Sicily holidays with seven-night stays during May at Club Med Kamarina from £719 per adult and £472 per child (4-11) and from £250 per child (2-3), incl return flights ex-Gatwick, and transfers, personal holiday insurance, all meals with wine, beer and soft drinks, open bar and snacks, Club Med Baby Welcome, Mini Club Med (4-10 years), Club Med Passworld (11-17 years) and various group classes and sporting activities.

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## PROPERTY NEWS

### Web index tracks decline in prices

ASKING prices in the property market continued to fall in July, according to the latest Rightmove house price index.

July has seen a 1.8 per cent fall in prices – the largest drop ever recorded in the month and it follows a 1.2 per cent slip in June.

Subsequently, annual asking price inflation has slipped into the red, down two per cent over the year up to July – the first time Rightmove has recorded an annual fall.

The survey discovered the average asking price for a property is £235,219 – a decrease of £4,345 in the past month.

However, this remains well ahead of the average sale prices of £194,912, according to official figures from the Department for Communities and Local Government.

The discrepancy could be caused by a realisation among sellers they have to lower asking prices in order to secure a sale according to analysts.

“Sellers are finally recognising that they need to undercut their rivals from the outset, rather than testing the market and dropping prices later,” said Miles Shipside, of Rightmove.

### Tenants feel the chill of rising energy bills

TURNOVER of tenants in rented accommodation where energy efficiency is poor could be on the increase according to a survey by the National Landlords Association.

The group said that while eco-friendliness of homes may not be the most important factor for people when they move it will become increasing vital.

Senior policy officer at the organisation, Elizabeth Brogan, said the major things which people look at when they search for a home remain its location and the initial cost outlay.

But she said: “There are other factors that are more important and I don’t think they (the buyers) are going to be looking at energy efficiency first thing.”

But she added if tenants are feeling “cold and miserable” they are likely to move on more quickly than they would otherwise.

But she also said that heating bills for tenants are likely to be reduced in the future due to the introduction of the Landlord’s Energy Saving Allowance.



**CLOCKHOUSE MEWS:** The development of luxury two-bedroom cottages is on the Swaylands estate, Penshurst, and purchasers have access to 50 acres of private parkland

## Rent now, buy later

### Estate scheme offers younger buyers a way into the market

■ BY NICK AMES

ANYONE who wants to buy a country cottage retreat in the heart of the Garden of England but can’t afford the mortgage deposit might be interested in Oakdene Homes’ Purchaser Prospect plan.

This is on offer at Clockhouse Mews, a development in the Swaylands estate in Penshurst.

The offer provides would-be homeowners with the chance to move into a property either through a rent now, buy-later scheme, or a one-year all paid mortgage deal.

With more banks demanding larger deposits and the option of 100 per cent mortgages declining, there has been a decline in the

number of young professionals purchasing property.

The average age of individuals being able to afford their first apartment has risen to 34 and the proportion of young professionals aged 25 and under getting on the property ladder for the first time is at just 16 per cent.

However, Oakdene Homes says its initiative will make it easier for younger individuals to own a new property and benefit from its equity, thus laying the foundation for a secure financial future.

Ann Fulker, sales and marketing director, said: “Clockhouse Mews has appealed to families and professionals commuting to London but desiring the benefits of traditional country living in a historical property.

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- 4 Bed End Of Terrace
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- 4 Bedroom Semi Detached
- Excellent Condition, Dg, Ch
- Off Street Parking, Garage



**WESTGATE** **£95,000**

**WESTGATE OFFICE** **MWP1064**

- 1 Bed Apartment
- Panoramic Views & Osp
- No Forward Chain



**BIRCHINGTON** **£349,995**

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- 4 Bedroom Detached
- Central Location
- Garden In Excess Of 90ft



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- In Need Of Modernisation



**MARGATE** **£117,500**

**CLIFTONVILLE OFFICE** **MCP04452**

- No Forward Chain
- 3 Storey 3 Bedroom Terrace
- Investment Opportunity



**RAMSGATE** **£275,000**

**RAMSGATE OFFICE** **BRP05741**

- Georgian Family Residence
- 5 Beds, 3 Receptions
- Sought After Location



**MARGATE** **£164,995**

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- 3 Receptions, En-Suite & Extended Kit
- Good Condition, Superb Location



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## MOTORS NEWS



### Weekend event shows Dodge's all-new cars

CHRYSLER Dodge Jeep dealers across Kent will use this weekend to launch two all-new cars, the Dodge Journey and Jeep Cherokee 4x4. While the latter is a familiar model name, the former is a new budget entry into the seven-seat MPV sector.

Canterbury's Dutton Forshaw dealership is going to town on the pair with a Ride and Drive event on Saturday and the site's dealer principal Lynne Kennard said: "The Journey takes the practicality of a minivan and the overall efficiency of a passenger car and blends the best attributes into an all-new crossover vehicle."



### Alfa's star newcomer is a red-blooded Romeo

THIS weekend also brings the curtain down on the British International Motor Show at Excel, London, where 'eco-green' was tipped as the predominant colour.

Italy's Alfa Romeo had other ideas; it went for red instead and enough glamorous hostesses to recall bygone days before recognition of global warming, when girls, bhp and petrol fumes were what shows were all about.

Nevertheless, its star newcomer is the forthcoming MiTO supermini (pictured) – taking its name from the Italian fashion and car capitals of Milano and Torino.



### Qashqai plus two will build on Nissan success

NISSAN is using the show to launch its enlarged +2 seats version of the Qashqai 'crossover' family model.

Despite a name pronounced 'cash-kai' that sounds even more like a violent sneeze now that 'plus-too' is added, it should build on what has been a massive success for the Japanese brand.

However, the presence of two extreme Nissan models – the all-white Denki Cube electric concept (pictured) and hugely powerful new GT-R supercar – underline the dilemma facing the whole motor industry.



**STANDING OUT:** Dodge's Avenger looks fantastic value in an overcrowded market sector with standard kit that includes six airbags, electronic stability, air-con and a glovebox chiller

## Avenger offers cut-price revenge on its key rivals

### ROAD TEST DODGE AVENGER

BY STEVE LOADER

#### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Green rating	★★★★★

But it is not a big price 'walk' – as the trade says – to the lavish SXT tested here (from £16,995). It is worth the extra for big 18-inch alloys, boot spoiler, heated front seats, leather seats, powered driver's seat and upmarket six-speaker Boston sound.

I was also impressed by MyGig – a £1,500 dashboard extra bundled with sat nav – that memorises CDs and links to iPod/MP3 players.

The Avenger is less tuned on the road; it has reasonable performance, but the chassis is saggy and copes badly with our increasingly poor road surfaces.

The VW powertrain on our 2.0CRD SXT (£18,250) test car felt as good as ever though – willing, frugal and perfect for motorway cruising. Storage, cupholders and boot are generous, with 'load through' rear folding seats on the SXT, although lifting the bootlid after a shower overruns the guttering and drowns your luggage.

Rear legroom is good too, though that rear window 'kick up' means kids may find it claustrophobic in the back.

Nevertheless, the Avenger looks fantastic value in a market sector where it is hard to stand out from the crowd.



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### CITROEN XSARA PICASSO



CITROEN quickly trumped Renault's pioneering Scenic and made the Xsara Picasso into the best-seller in a new market sector. It is only a five-seater, but the 'jelly mould design' smoothes the edges of a commodious and flexibly equipped box. It rides smoothly, but the same soft springing allows wallowing into the corners. The Xsara Picasso is available with excellent Peugeot-Citroen turbodiesels, has a good reliability record and is affordable and plentiful.

#### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

### FIAT MULTIPLA



MEDIA praise for originality on its arrival in 2000 did not translate into big sales for the Multipla. A midlife facelift made it more acceptable, allowing practical qualities to shine through. A relatively compact though wide body allows six to be seated comfortably in two three abreast rows and there is plenty of stowage and luggage space. It also drives well and the first choice 110bhp JTD turbodiesel is a lively powertrain, complementing the neat handling.

#### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

### HONDA FR-V



HONDA delayed entry to and had time for a long look at this sector, before deciding that Fiat got it right with the Multipla layout. So the FR-V is another short, wide six-seater with two rows of seats. Though not as roomy as the Multipla, many buyers will like the peace-of-mind Honda engineering and slow depreciation. The middle seat in the front can also be staggered backwards to allow a child to be carried closer to mum and dad.

#### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
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## ALFA ROMEO

**146 TI, 5 door**, p 1996, this car is a 2 owner from new with FSH mainly main dealer. 94000 miles, £1495, Courtney Cars, Charing, Ashford, 01233 714848 (TRADE)

**147, T.SPARK 16V LUSSO 3dr**, p04tnc, immobiliser, remote alarm, full leather, trip computer, abs, twin air bags, climate control, cd player, radio, alloy wheels, black, 38000 miles, £5490, Air Cars, Kent, 01342 851122 (TRADE)

## AUDI

**A2, 1.4 SPORT 5dr**, 03/10/2002, cd player abs alarm driver airbag power steering immobiliser cruise control electric windows, silver, 58488 miles, £6499, Invicta Motors, Ramsgate, 01843 853555 (TRADE)

**A4, 1.9TDI 130 se estate**, 2003, blue m with grey cloth, 67000 miles, £8950, Martin James Cars, Kent, 01795426700 (TRADE)

**TT, 1.8 2DR**, 2002, trim: leather engine size: 1800 transmission: manual no. of doors: 2, green, 14000 miles, £14995, Palm Bay Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

**TT, QUATTRO**, 2003, trim: leather engine size: 1800 transmission: manual no. of doors: 2, silver, 41000 miles, £13995, Palm Bay Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

## BENTLEY

**ARINAGE**, red label auto, 2001, blenheim silver with black leather, 50000 miles, £24950, Martin James Cars, Kent, 01795426700 (TRADE)

## BMW

**3 SERIES, 316TI SE 3dr**, h03k3uyv, alarm, central locking, immobiliser, remote central locking, cloth upholstery, centre armrest, head restraints, height adjustable seat, restraints, folding rear seats, radio, steering wheel audio controls, stereo, 16" alloys, blue met, 52219 miles, £8499, AutoPlanet Maidstone, Maidstone, 0845 871 5185 (TRADE)

## CADILLAC

**CTS, CTS 3.6 sport luxury v6**, 2005, light platinum with black leather, 22379 miles, £12950, Martin James Cars, Kent, 01795426700 (TRADE)

## CHEVROLET

**CAPTIVA, LTZ 2.0**, g0k80bnr, finished in denim blue with black interior, blue, 4000 miles, £22995, caffyns chevrolet 1 wells, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

## MITSUBISHI

**MATIZ**, Chevrolet MATIZ 1.0 SE A, 1189639, finished in silver with grey interior manual, grey, 1000 miles, £4995, caffyns chevrolet 1 wells, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

## CITROEN

**C2, VTS**, i5v5ccs, air conditioning, alloy wheels, anti-lock brakes, drivers airbag, metallic paint, passenger airbag, power steering, side airbags, air conditioning, climate control, cd player, radio, steering wheel audio controls, stereo, 16" alloys, blue met, 52219 miles, £8499, AutoPlanet Maidstone, Maidstone, 0845 871 5185 (TRADE)

**C3, 1.4i Cool 5dr**, 2007, 1.4i cool 5dr hatch special edition, luscian blue, 2308/2006, cd player alarm driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, blue, 10146 miles, £7999, Invicta Motors, Ramsgate, 01843 853555 (TRADE)

**XSARA, 2.0 HDI 110 LX 5dr**, Auto, 2002, 2.0 hdi 110 lx 5dr auto diesel hatch, grey, 37000 miles, £3995, Wiltshire Ashford, Ashford, 01233 640100 (TRADE)

## DAEWOO

**TACUMA, CDX 1998cc** 5 door, 2002, abs brakes air con alloy wheels central locking alarm driver's airbag multiple airbags power steering immobiliser electric windows, met blue, 85000 miles, £2495, Northdown Road Motor Company, Margate, 01843 290890 (TRADE)

## DAIHATSU

**GRAND MOVE**, v3280hj, immobiliser, cloth upholstery, power steering, metallic paintwork, electric front windows, radio, red, 45000 miles, £1999, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200100 (TRADE)

## FIAT

**500**, Sport, p157cgv, air conditioning, alloy wheels, anti-lock brakes, drivers airbag, E/W, traction control, trip computer, red, 3000 miles, £10495, Thames Group Tunbridge Wells, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 549766 (TRADE)

**BRAVO, DYNAMIC**, g107xsw, alloys, anti-lock brakes, climate control, drivers airbag, side airbags, split/folding rear seats, tinted glass, traction control, trip computer, met, blue, 10000 miles, £9995, Thames Group Tunbridge Wells, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 549766 (TRADE)

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**CINQUECENTO, M/1994**, manual locking manual windows, red, 74,000 miles, £1195, Chertton Motor House, Folkestone, 01303 275795 (TRADE)

## FORD

**FORD CONNCT T220**, 12/2004, 1.8 tdi 5v white pty lned 8000 miles fsh, £3930, Beaver Commercial, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

**FORD CONNCT T220**, 11/2005, 1.8 tdi 5v white side door 67000 miles fsh, £4995, Beaver Commercial, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

**FIESTA, 1.4 TDCI (CE COMP)**, m035vf, remote central locking, cloth upholstery, power steering, abs, air bag, radio cassette, colour coded body, white, 30000 miles, £4000, Cleavays Commercial, Sevenoaks, 01474 853034 (TRADE)

**FOCUS, 1.6 LX 5dr** (2005 - 2007), 23/08/2006, cd player alarm driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, blue, 10146 miles, £7999, Invicta Motors, Ramsgate, 01843 853555 (TRADE)

**MUSTANG, 3.8 V6 COUPE**, 1995, silver, 2357 miles, £5495, County Car Sales, Dover, 01304 242324 (TRADE)

## HONDA

**ACCORD, TYPE-V**, y915 mrx, front fog lamps, remote central locking, alarm, full leather, electric seats, height adjustable seat, adjustable steering column, rear headrests, electric mirrors, electric windows, A/C, abs, power steering, alloy wheels, green, 15460 miles, £4695, Kings Highway Garage Ltd, Plumstead, 020 8855 4000 (TRADE)

## CIVIC

**CIVIC, TORNADO 1.4 i**, 1998, lurgaise, 107000 miles, £1695, County Car Sales, Dover, 01304 242324 (TRADE)

**CIVIC, 1.4 i-DSI se**, o65khhj, driver's seat height adjustment, air bags, adjustable and heated door mirrors, digital fuel consumption display, mirror integrated indicators, side impact protection beams, electronic brakeforce distribution (ebd), dual side airbags, climate controlled air conditioning, galaxy grey metallic, 11288 miles, £10995.0000, Barretts Honda, Canterbury, 0845 3709769 (TRADE)

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**RODEO, DENVER MAX TD** Pu 4x4 Dcb, v56nuc, alarm, abs, air bag, immobiliser, locking wheel nuts, remote alarm, cloth upholstery, head restraints, adjustable steering column, power steering, electric front windows, front fog lamps, air conditioning, cd player, 3-person rear seat, 16" alloys, 4x4, aluminium silver, 10800 miles, £12300, Van Zone Tunbridge Wells, Tunbridge Wells, 0844 446528 (TRADE)

## JAGUAR

**S TYPE 3.0**, 2003 (03), 03 (53) jaguar s-type v6 3.0 se auto, metallic silver coachwork with grey leather trim, only 42000 miles, full service history, using jaguar refinements to include: power windows and memory seats, memory steering wheel position, air conditioning/climate control, electric windows, electric & folding mirrors, cd/multiplayer with hi-fi pack, multiple air bags, electronic park brake, on board computer, cruise control, traction control, tinted glass, alloy wheels etc. etc. only £9,995, Riviera Car Sales, Folkestone, 01303 242444 (TRADE)

**SOVEREIGN**, 4.0 Saloon 4d 3980cc auto, p 1997, electric windows, electric mirrors, remote central alarm/locking, air conditioning, radio cassette system, cruise control, cream interior leather, electric seats, memory seats, alloy wheels, front fog lamps, colour coded body, lots of service history, metal paint, alloy wheels, £3995, Westbrook Cars, Canterbury, 01721 10685 (TRADE)

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**DEFENDER, 90 TD5** County Station Wagon, 1069054, power steering, electric front windows, remote alarm, cd player, remote central locking, rear wash/wipe, tow pack, alloy wheels, 4x4, road tax is £210 per year on this vehicle, metallic red, 38000 miles, £12995, Diesel Centre, Staplehurst, 01580 890333 (TRADE)

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**MAZDA**  
**323, 2.0 SPORT 5dr** [AC], 26/07/2002, cd player driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, black, 62385 miles, £3900, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

**MX-6, 1.8i 2dr**, 122463127, electric windows, abs, air bag, twin air bags, alarm, central locking, electric front windows, power steering, automatic electric windows, radio, stereo, met grey, 9775 miles, £10290, AutoPlanet Maidstone, Maidstone, 0845 871 5185 (TRADE)

**MERCEDES-BENZ**  
**230 SPORT COMPRESSOR**, 1998, fantastic car with full ivory leather interior full sport pack. black/blue, 57,000 miles, £5990.00, Bob Fisher Garage, Ashford, 01303 814131 (TRADE)

**MG**  
**MGF**, x253ke, alarm, central locking, immobiliser, locking wheel nuts, half leather, head restraints, lumbar support, sports seats, power steering, electric front windows, air conditioning, radio cassette, alloy wheels, silver, 26612 miles, £4495, Saunders Abbott, Sidcup, 020 8300 2450 (TRADE)

**TF, 135 Sprint Sports 1.8**, 2003, red, 30420 miles, £5495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

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**PEUGEOT 106 JEST**, 2001, silver, 3 door, 43,000 miles, excellent condition, 12 month M.O.T, 3 month tax, radio/cd player, electric windows, power steering, very economical, £2,200, 07717603163 (TRADE)

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**RENAULT KANGOO 1.5** cd 80, 03, 17" alloy blue, met, 5388 miles, £9999, AutoPlanet Maidstone, Maidstone, 0845 871 5185 (TRADE)

**RC10, EXPRESSION 1.4 16V 5dr**, Im05ej, immobiliser, remote central locking, cloth upholstery, head restraints, height adjustable seat, retractable headrests, folding rear seats, rear headrests, rear wash/wipe, metallic paintwork, colour coded body, multiple airbags, abs, trip computer, power steering, adjustable steering column, electric mirrors, electric window air conditioning, air bag, sunroof, uk specification, uk supplied, nordic green, 5873 miles, £6495, Lifestyle Renault, Tunbridge wells, 0844 8446514 (TRADE)

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**RAV4, X3 4x4**, 6263079, side airbags, roll overs, privacy glass, remote central locking, power steering, electric mirrors, electric front windows, air conditioning, air bag, colour coded body, metallic paintwork, rear wash/wipe, cd player, 15" alloys, green, 114000 miles, £5999, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

**RAV-4, XT4 VWT-1**, 6263079, side airbags, roll overs, privacy glass, remote central locking, power steering, height adjustable seat, adjustable steering column, electric windows, electric mirrors, twin air bags, curtain airbags, air conditioning, climate control, cd player, radio, electric sunroof, alloy wheels, 4x4, silver, 20300 miles, £7995, Kings Highway Garage Ltd, Plumstead, 020 8855 4000 (TRADE)

**RAV 4, XT3 D-4d**, 41535079, front fog lamps, roof rails, rear headrests, rear wash/wipe, remote central locking, remote alarm, electric windows, electric mirrors, height adjustable seat, air conditioning, cd player, radio, electric sunroof, twin air bags, curtain airbags, abs brakes, engine immobiliser, front fog lamps, tinted glass, rear wash/wipe, adjustable steering column, seat height adjuster, sports seats, split rear seats, alloy wheels, luna grey metallic, demo miles, 101, 495, Hollis Motors, Dover, 01304 206710 (TRADE)

**IBIZA, 1.2 SX 3dr**, h54evr, adjustable steering column/wheel, alloy wheels, climate control, driver airbag, electric windows, foglights, head restraints, folding rear seats, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, remote locking, radio/cd, rear headrests, insurance group:3, blue, 23800 miles, £4994, SMC Mitsubishi Sittlingbourne, Sittlingbourne, 0844 5762476 (TRADE)

**IBIZA, 1.4 DAB 5dr**, g156uk, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, head restraints, folding rear seats, immobiliser, sports seats, split rear seats, alloy wheels, luna grey metallic, demo miles, 101, 495, Hollis Motors, Dover, 01304 206710 (TRADE)

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**LEON, SX 1.6**, 146637, finished in blue with interior blue, 35000 miles, £5400, Caffyns Tunbridge Wells Vauxhall, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

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**AVENSIS, 2.0 VVT-1 T4 5dr**, 123198127, abs, air bag, twin air bags, side air bags, alarm, traction control, climate control, electric front windows, electric windows, cd player, satellite navigation, rear wash/wipe, electric mirrors, front fog lamps, central locking, cloth upholstery, remote central locking, adjustable steering column, multi-function steering wheel, power steering, trip computer, child locks, curtain airbags, quick-clear screen, metallic paintwork, auto-dip rearview, automatic electric windows, air conditioning, radio, radio cassette, steering wheel audio controls, stereo, 17" alloy blue, met, 5388 miles, £9999, AutoPlanet Maidstone, Maidstone, 0845 871 5185 (TRADE)

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# Pressure piles on to leave us all too tired

## Three-quarters of us are not getting enough sleep, claims survey

■ BY TONY PATEY

SLEEPING has figured in songs from Donovan to Seether but money worries and the credit squeeze becoming tighter are striking different notes as a wave of shut-eye deprivation sweeps across the UK workforce.

Twenty two million workers – that's three-quarters of the workforce – admitted getting less than the prescribed eight hours of sleep each night of the working week, says a recent report.

Topping the list for insomnia are estate agents, who are apparently getting only five hours and 50 minutes sleep a night – more than two hours less than the daily recommended sleep quota.

The Travelodge company, which has hotels in Canterbury, Ashford and Margate, said the study revealed that two professions facing rocketing fuel prices – lorry and taxi drivers – were the next two groups missing most 'shut eye', sharing an average of just six hours and 16 minutes a night.

Then came another economy-hit profession, bankers, who manage just six hours and 23 minutes of sleep. Builders and accountants came next with both getting six hours and 24 minutes.

Leigh McCarron, Travelodge's director of sleep, said: "It is no surprise that the professions in the industries worst hit by the credit crunch come top of the charts. We all know that money worries and job security are key drivers of stress which in turn, leads to significant sleep loss."

The budget hotel chain's study also revealed the key reasons why 40 per cent of workers regularly experience difficulty getting to sleep: work pressures and money worries, leaving work late, having an alcoholic drink at bed-



**WIDE AWAKE:** Not sleeping because of financial worry is affecting more and more people – especially estate agents

time and going home to start work again were all causes.

Mr McCarron said: "Don't let the credit crunch keep you awake, it's a vicious circle. Although you may fret about your job and have financial worries; you cannot afford to sacrifice your sleep quota."

"Losing valuable hours of sleep will certainly

ly impact upon your well-being and productivity."

In case you're wondering – director of sleep? Yes, that's his title. The firm takes its job of giving clients a good night's sleep very, very seriously, and Mr McCarron has a wide brief from helping design rooms to trying out beds. Let's hope he doesn't sleep on the job.



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## Victorious Nelson slowly moving up the league table

NELSON moved up to fifth in the Kent Cricket Feeder League East 1E with a 40-run win against St Margaret's.

Batting first after winning the toss, Nelson ran up a competitive 235-6 from their 46 overs.

St Margaret's, who went into the game in fifth place, could not match their opponents and were eventually bowled out in the 42nd over for 195.

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# Broadstairs suffer crushing defeat in relegation battle

A SUPERB performance with bat and ball from Timir Chanda saw Tenterden beat Broadstairs by 71 runs in a crucial match at the bottom of Division One.

The all-rounder hit an unbeaten 69 and took 3-26 to give Tenterden only their third win of the season, which sent them above Broadstairs and out of the bottom two.

The hosts won the toss at Morphew Park and opted to bat. Both openers made good starts before being removed by Bradley Ellison.

Their departure brought Chanda to the crease and along with Christopher Vernon, he put on 67 for the third wicket.

Chris Kidd picked up two quick wick-

## CRICKET

BY DAVID PRITCHARD

ets in the middle order and Tenterden had to settle for 188-9 from their 50 overs.

The total looked vulnerable and Broadstairs began well.

The opening pair put on 38 before Alex Hogben fell to Alistair Neale, triggering a collapse. The visitors went from 38-1 to 64-6, with Mark Baker taking four wickets.

Broadstairs limped on with Sam Winsor and Ellison sharing 53 to give the visitors hope. But when Winsor became Neale's third victim, it signalled the end and Chanda wrapped up the tail.



BIG LOSS: Broadstairs lost to relegation rivals Tenterden at the weekend

## Kent League Division One 1st XI Tenterden 1st XI v Broadstairs 1st XI

### Tenterden

	Runs
Nick Daynes ct Narraway b Ellison	30
Andrew Crawford ct Brennan b Ellison	10
Timir Chanda not out	69
Christopher Vernon ct Ross b Kidd	29
Tevis Knight (jnr) lbw b Kidd	5
Paul Brann st Brennan b Marshall	5
Ben Daking run out	5
Alistair Neale st Brennan b Wisemand	16
Nick Hall not out	4
Ben Price did not bat	
Mark Baker did not bat	

Extras (5b 9w 1nb)	15
<b>Total (7 wickets, 50 overs)</b>	<b>188</b>

### Bowlers

	O	M	R	W
Bradley Ellison	15	7	32	2
Stuart Wisemand	10	1	70	1
Chris Kidd	15	5	35	2
Andrew Marshall	10	0	46	1

### Broadstairs

	Runs
Craig Wretham ct Brann b Baker	24
Alex Hogben b Neale	14
Michael Ross ct Daynes b Baker	10
Scott Narraway ct Daynes b Baker	0
Neil Brennan ct Daynes b Baker	4
Liam Narraway ct Hall b Chanda	5
Sam Winsor b Neale	32
Bradley Ellison ct Brann b Chanda	15
Chris Kidd b Neale	0
Stuart Wisemand not out	0
Andrew Marshall ct Knight (jnr) b Chanda	0

Extras (6w 7nb)	13
<b>Total (all out, 42.5 overs)</b>	<b>117</b>

### Bowlers

	O	M	R	W
Ben Daking	5	0	12	0
Nick Hall	4	0	4	0
Timir Chanda	6.5	1	26	3
Mark Baker	15	3	54	4
Alistair Neale	12	3	20	3

## LOCAL CRICKET ROUND-UP

### KENT FEEDER LEAGUE EAST 1B

#### Frindsbury 1st XI v Westgate-on-Sea 1st XI

A NINTH-WICKET partnership of 58 saw Frindsbury pull off an unlikely two-wicket victory against their rivals to go top of the league.

Accurate bowling from the Frindsbury attack restricted their opponents to 150-9 from their allocation. Samuel Gracey returned the best figures with 3-41, while Matt Payne took 2-29 from nine overs.

Despite chasing a relatively low total, Frindsbury struggled and were reduced to the brink of defeat on 96-8. But Dan Reeves and Matt Payne launched a comeback and guided the home side to victory with eight overs to spare.

#### Westgate-on-Sea

	Runs
Nick Sandwell	45
Alan Finch	2
Chris Flint	5
Keith Sandwell	10
Lewis Finch	21
Alex Spokes	0
Jason Mickle	5
Ross Heathcote	2
Martin Arnold	11
Brian Andrews	14
Nick Haynes	10

Extras (5b 5lb 14w 1nb)	25
<b>Total (9 wickets, 46 overs)</b>	<b>150</b>

#### Bowlers

	O	M	R	W
Matt Payne	9	1	29	2
Chris Mumford	10	3	21	1
Sam Dudgeon	7	1	17	1
Tim Jones	10	2	32	1
Samuel Gracey	10	0	41	3

#### Frindsbury

	Runs
Dhaivat Mehta	26
Ian Budd	6
Nigel Pullen	6
Robert Sait	3
Sam Dudgeon	13
Dan Scudder	16
Dan Reeves	23
Chris Mumford	3
Samuel Gracey	0
Matt Payne	42
Tim Jones	0

Extras (3lb 7w 6nb)	16
<b>Total (8 wickets, 38 overs)</b>	<b>154</b>

#### Bowlers

	O	M	R	W
Ross Heathcote	11	3	31	2
Jason Mickle	9	2	33	1
Brian Andrews	7	0	28	1
Lewis Finch	8	2	43	3
Chris Flint	3	0	17	0

### KENT FEEDER LEAGUE EAST 1E

#### St Lawrence & Highland Court 3rd XI v Old Hartsdonians 1st XI

OLD Hartsdonians stayed in contention for promotion in East 1E after a 76-run victory against lowly St Lawrence.

The visitors made good use of winning the toss by racking up 240 before being bowled out in the final over.

Opener Dave Wheeler got them off to a good start by hitting six sixes on his way to 81, with number nine batsman Michael Turner providing late impetus by notching an unbeaten half century.

Aston Smith took two early wickets to put St Lawrence on the back foot and Martin Mackie finished on 5-40 to wrap up a comfortable win.

#### Old Hartsdonians

	Runs
Dave Wheeler	81
Gary Wright	8
Josh Smith	17
Guy Cunningham	18
Ben Pugh	11
Aston Smith	0
Bob Strike	9
Martin Mackie	20
Michael Turner	54
Darren Cousins	0
Jarrett Smith	5

Extras (5lb 9w 3nb)	17
<b>Total (all out, 45.3 overs)</b>	<b>240</b>

#### Bowlers

	O	M	R	W
Phil Kelly	5	0	31	0
Matthew Pickard	6	0	33	1
Alan Carter	5	1	19	0
Andy Reeves	12	0	68	5
Geoffrey Baldock	13	1	55	3
Guy Hilton	4.3	0	29	1

### St Lawrence and Highland Court

	Runs
Tom Dixey	31
James Rodway	0
Unsure	1
Phil Kelly	11
Paul Rodway	24
Alan Carter	51
Andy Reeves	25
Josh Stubbings	2
Guy Hilton	0
Geoffrey Baldock	0
Matthew Pickard	0

Extras (2b 4lb 13w)	19
<b>Total (all out, 41.3 overs)</b>	<b>164</b>

#### Bowlers

	O	M	R	W
Aston Smith	6	0	20	2
Jarrett Smith	6	0	22	0
Martin Mackie	9.3	1	40	5
Bob Strike	10	1	40	1
Dave Wheeler	10	0	37	1

### KENT LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

#### Broadstairs 2nd XI v Tenterden 2nd XI

JUST nine wickets fell in a match where bat dominated ball with Tenterden having to settle for a winning draw.

Batting first, Tenterden openers Robert Featherstone and Simon Bessant scored quickly to build a platform to the visitors' innings. Bessant went on to score an unbeaten century and shared a stand of 130 with Neil Billing to reach 259-4 from 50 overs.

Broadstairs recovered from the early loss of Simon Weale, with Paul Ogburn and Brian Simpson putting on 142 for the second wicket. Losing four quick wickets ended their hopes of victory, finishing 55 runs adrift.

#### Tenterden

	Runs
Robert Featherstone	66
Simon Bessant	106
Scott Freeman	2
Matt Barton	11
Tim Russell	4
Neil Billing	52
Tyler Griffin	0
Mark Brann	0
Tevis Knight (snr)	0
Richard Pearman	0
Mike Bridge	0

Extras (5lb 4lb 5w 4nb)	18
<b>Total (4 wickets, 50 overs)</b>	<b>259</b>

#### Bowlers

	O	M	R	W
Allister Perrin	10	2	59	0
Ben Warden	5	1	22	0
Ashley Ellison	15	2	75	3
Arthur Austin	15	2	51	1
Zeeshan Sheikh	5	0	43	0

#### Broadstairs

	Runs
Paul Ogburn	68
Simon Weale	0
Brian Simpson	80
Zane Lagerdien	4
Zeeshan Sheikh	7
Joel Benfield	28
David Parker	9
Arthur Austin	0
Ashley Ellison	0
Ben Warden	0
Allister Perrin	0

Extras (6b 2w)	8
<b>Total (5 wickets, 50 overs)</b>	<b>204</b>

#### Bowlers

	O	M	R	W
Tyler Griffin	6	1	32	0
Mark Brann	10	3	31	1
Scott Freeman	12	3	32	0
Tevis Knight (snr)	15	1	64	2
Simon Bessant	3	0	25	0
Neil Billing	4	0	14	2

### KENT FEEDER LEAGUE EAST 2B

#### Westgate-On-Sea 2nd XI v Deal Victoria & Barns Close 2nd XI

POOR form with the bat cost Westgate-On-Sea as they lost to Deal Victoria by 23 runs to slip out of the promotion race.

Richie Holden and Gary Sandwell took three wickets apiece to help bowl the visitors out for 185 in the final over. Westgate's reply began in the worst possible way with both opening batsmen dismissed for ducks. Sandwell gave them hope with an unbeaten 80 but lacked a partner who could stay at the crease.

The hosts' last four batsmen contributed just four runs between them, sealing Westgate's fate.

#### Deal Victoria and Barns Close

	Runs
Frank Packman	32
Tim Toon	0
Simon Farrow	35
Pete Court	11
Darren Mitchell	4
Nick Francis	39
Ian Bone	8
Ryan Taylor	28
William Marshall Jr	9
Charlie Smith	4
Steve Wilson	0

Extras (4b 8lb 3w)	15
<b>Total (all out, 45.1 overs)</b>	<b>185</b>

#### Bowlers

	O	M	R	W
Simon Evans	12	3	42	1
Andrew Watford	4	1	17	0
Richie Holden	12	3	45	3
Gary Sandwell	11	2	40	3
Rick Sadler	6	0	29	1
Ian MacKenzie	0.1	0	0	1

### Westgate-on-Sea

	Runs
Derek Watford	0
Jack Newman	0
Simon Evans	21
Ian MacKenzie	11
Gary Sandwell	80
Marcus Taylor	0
Richie Holden	28
Richie Holden	2
Andy Seal	2
Andrew Watford	0
Luke Liggins	0

Extras (1lb 1lb 8w 8nb)	18
<b>Total (all out, 42.1 overs)</b>	<b>162</b>

#### Bowlers

	O	M	R	W
Nick Francis	12	2	38	6
Steve Wilson	8	2	31	1
Ian Bone	10	3	35	0
Darren Mitchell	8	0	39	2
Charlie Smith	4.1	0	17	1

# Rams continue good pre-season progress

## FOOTBALL

BY DAVID PRITCHARD

RAMSGATE'S encouraging pre-season continued on Friday night with a 5-2 victory against Tunbridge Wells.

Jim Ward's side were due to visit Redhill on Saturday but it was called off at late notice, forcing a hastily arranged match against the Kent League side.

Wells have made several additions to the team, which finished mid-table in the Kent League last season, and they looked a well-drilled outfit. Despite this, Ramsgate had the quality to unlock their defence and took the lead with only ten minutes on the clock.

After good work from striker Aaron Firth, the ball was spread wide to trialist Jamie Maxted. The Canterbury City player made no mistake, unleashing an unstoppable shot into the roof of the net.

Despite several chances before the break, Rams did not add to their lead until the 56th minute. Warren Schulz collected substitute goalkeeper Shaun Alliston's long clearance and fed Stuart Vahid, whose curled finish gave the Wells keeper no chance.

Sam Phillips pulled a goal back for the visitors with a sweet volley, but within five minutes Steven Lloyd made it 3-1 with a firm



LOB: Brett Kinch rounded off the scoring with a deft chip in the final minute to put further gloss on the Rams victory

header from a corner. On 77 minutes Lee Minshull raced on to a long through ball to slide the ball under the onrushing goalkeeper and put the result beyond doubt.

Wells reduced the deficit in the final minute of normal time with Aaron Shade's powerful shot too strong for Alliston to keep out. The

scoring was completed virtually from the kick off when Brett Kinch delicately chipped in.

Rams were in action again last night at home to Blue Square South side Fisher Athletic before their match at the Southwood Stadium against Redbridge on Saturday. Log on to [www.yourthanet.co.uk](http://www.yourthanet.co.uk) for the results.

## FOOTBALL

### Margate banking on Wayne's world

MARGATE have made their biggest transfer of the summer by signing Wayne Wilson from Blue Square South side Bromley.

Australian-born Wilson began his career at Charlton Athletic's academy. He has since had spells at Bishop's Stortford, Stevenage Borough, Thurrock and Basingstoke Town.

Gate's preparations for the new season continued with 1-1 draws against Whitstable Town and Thamesmead Town.

Former Ebbsfleet United midfielder Danny Stubbs gave Barry Ashby's side the lead at the Belmont last Tuesday with a great finish. Gate were denied the win when they conceded an 89th minute equaliser. Honours were also even at Hartsdown Park on Saturday against the Kent League champions.

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# So close yet so far for Spitfires

## CRICKET

BY GLENN PEARSON

KENT Spitfires lost their grip on the Twenty20 Cup in a thrilling final at the Rose Bowl.

Rob Key's side lost by three runs as they attempted to overhaul Middlesex Crusaders' total of 187 for six, a record total in a Twenty20 final.

Set such a substantial target, Kent got off to a flier as Joe Denly and Key set about the Middlesex bowling attack, going at more than ten an over for the first five.

The two Kent openers showed that while Twenty20 is about scoring boundaries and getting quick runs, it doesn't have to be about slogs, sweeps and paddles as they each played a succession of elegant cover drives, cuts and pulls to pull their side back into the game.

Key was in terrific form, reaching his half-century off just 30 balls, but it was the introduction of spinners Murali Kartik and veteran Shaun Udal that helped turn the game and they accounted for both Denly and Key.

South African Justin Kemp, struggling for runs for the county this summer, was promoted to number three, where he played the type of innings for which he is renowned.

Kemp smashed three sixes in an entertaining stand of 72 with Darren Stevens as the Spitfires closed in on their target, leaving them requiring 16 from the final over.

The target was then reduced to six off three



WAIT AND SEE: Rob Key is sceptical about Kent's chances of playing in the inaugural Champions League later this year

balls. Kemp could manage only two off the first two, meaning the Spitfires had to score three to tie, which would have secured the title courtesy of having lost fewer wickets than Middlesex.

However, Kemp was unable to get the ball away and was run out, handing victory to the Crusaders and, with it, a place in the Stanford

Super Series and a chance to pocket a huge £200,000.

While Key was disappointed not to get his hands on the trophy again, he was pleased with his side's effort at Twenty20 finals day.

He said: "The one thing we haven't done is hide. Generally we have fielded well and it is times like that in big games when you find out

the characters of players and I thought everyone stood up, so it was good.

"That final was a great advert for Twenty20. It was a fantastic effort to have got that close.

"It was pretty frustrating getting out for 50-odd as the stage was set for me to play a serious Twenty20 innings and get us a great victory.

"I always say it is not about the blokes who get out to a good ball for less than 10 – it is those who get in who will win or lose you the game. I was one of those who got in and got out."

The day had started well for Spitfires as they cruised to what turned out to be a comfortable 14-run win over the Essex Eagles in the first semi-final of the day.

The Spitfires, together with the Crusaders, will now be entered in the inaugural £2.4 million Champions League against teams from South Africa, Australia and India.

Kent's involvement in the competition, although assured by the England and Wales Cricket Board, is yet to be 100 per cent confirmed by organisers of India's cricket board because of their inclusion of 'rebel' Indian Cricket League stars Justin Kemp and Azhar Mahmood.

Key is sceptical about his side's involvement and is refusing to think about playing in the competition in India until it is confirmed.

He said: "It is a bonus if it happens, but there has been a bit of confusion about it all the way along. We will only know how good it is if an English team walks away with the money and starts turning up for games in much better cars.

"There are so many unanswered questions that I think it is probably a pipe-dream that is not worth us getting carried away about."



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